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STRIKE DEADLOCK BROKEN

Employers Offer Total Basic Increase Of 40 Per Cent NEGOTIATIONS TO BE RESUMED

The deadlock in the strike was broken by the dockyard employers yesterday when, through the Labour Officer, they offered the striking mechanics and skilled workers a further 20 per cent increase in the basic wage.

This offer, added to the 20 per cent originally offered, makes an aggregate of 80 cents extra a day, on the basis of the minimum basic pay of \$2 a day.

Officials of the Chinese Engineers' Institute were summoned to the Labour Officer's office yesterday afternoon to discuss this latest concession from the employers. At a meeting of the 80-member committee last night at the Chinese Engineers' Institute, a decision was reached to resume negotiations.

Chinese Elections On British Territory?

The Chinese community in Hong Kong has been allotted four seats in China's National Assembly. One of the seats is to be occupied by a woman delegate.

Preparations for the election of the four delegates are now in progress. By last night more than 20 men and five women had registered as candidates.

Hong Kong Chinese have been given one seat in China's Legislative Yuan.

Siam Says "No"

Bangkok, Sept. 1.
A statement made by Colonel Asun Prasong-Sithikarn, Chief of the C.I.D., appeared in the local press today stating that unless a special agreement is reached between China and Siam, Siam says "No".

ALDRICH SENTENCED

Nanking, Sept. 2.
Major-General John P. Aldrich, Commander of the American army advisory group in China, was sentenced today to life imprisonment for the murder of two Chinese on August 1, 1945, in the case of the "Luzon" case.

The findings of the court and the sentence will be sent to the Judge-Advocate in Washington for approval.

Slam according to international law, participation by the Chinese in Slam in the Chinese national elections in October cannot be permitted.

The C.I.D. Chief's statement undoubtedly was a warning to the Chinese Government to Chinese nationals in Slam.

No formal approach has yet been made by the Chinese representative to the Slam Government on the matter but in view of a statement by Premier Luang, Thangmuang, before Parliament that such an attempt would constitute an interference in Slam's sovereignty, the forthcoming Chinese elections in Slam will have a hard time materializing.

Financial Talks In London

London, Sept. 2.
The Commonwealth Relations Office announced today that Britain has invited all Commonwealth Governments in the sterling area to general financial discussions here probably during meetings of the International Bank and International Monetary Fund opening next week.

Australia and New Zealand have already accepted. United States Press.

British Subs Were Unhealthy

Dundee, Scotland, Sept. 1.
Britain lost some submarines in Far Eastern waters during the war solely because conditions were so bad that the crews collapsed. Professor H. C. Bazett, of Philadelphia, said here tonight.

Addressing the first postwar meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, Professor Bazett said that, owing to the lack of air conditioning, crews of British submarines were "the most unhealthy of those in the fleet" with a low morale.

Once the British Admiralty recognized the reason for the loss, air conditioning was fitted and the crews had the highest possible morale.

Professor Bazett suggested to the scientists that an experiment should be carried out, preferably in India, on the effects of climate on human beings. There should be two villages, one retaining its present style of housing and the other with modern stone buildings which would be cooler.

"Something of this sort should be done within the next 10 years," he said, "but no conclusions should be drawn until at least one generation had grown up in such a situation."—Reuter.

Huge Backlog At Shannon Airport

Shannon Airport, Eire, Sept. 1.
The biggest transatlantic traffic jam in months is piling up today at Shannon Airport, Western Europe's air cross roads, as the number of west-bound passengers reached its peak for the year.

The number of held-up passengers waiting for seats to the United States is estimated at between 50 and 100. Some of them have been waiting for nearly a week.

The British passengers among them, restricted in the amount of money they could take out of England, faced financial difficulties.

The waiting passengers have been filling up in hotels in all over Europe—London, Paris, Frankfurt, and other terminal points of the trans-Atlantic services.

Some are Americans returning after a holiday in their native Ireland; others are Irishmen on their way to the United States on holiday and on business.

Some are living in hotels in nearby Irish towns. Others are living at the airport, sleeping in a 200-bed dormitory which the Irish authorities have provided for people in transit. But they all haunt the airport offices, besieging the clerks in the hope of picking up a spare seat.

Yorkshire Pits Strikes Continue



Arthur Horner

Doncaster, Yorkshire, Sept. 1.
The three-week-old South Yorkshire pits strike, though partially settled yesterday, was still a threat to the nation's coal production tonight with an estimated 8,000 of the original 22,000 miners still out.

Members of Parliament and trade union officials who, supported by the Minister of Fuel, Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell, personally appeared to the men to return to work, watched the situation worsen tonight as 4,000 miners rejoined the 5,000 men who remained idle today.

Earlier, 17,000 miners restarted ailed wheels at 11 pits which had closed last week.

The centre of the trouble remained at the Grimethorpe mine where only 600 of the 2,600 employed, turned up to cast their secret ballots on the resumption of work.

By over 150 votes, the miners decided to continue the strike. Two hundred and ninety-four had voted in favour of carrying on the struggle while 139 were against such a decision. Despite appeals by the Yorkshire secretary of the miners' trade union, only 451 miners accepted voting papers.—Reuter.



Will Lanthorn

TUC CRIES HALT

Southport, Sept. 1.
Britain's Trades Union Congress—the Parliament of her organised Labour—met here today for what promised to be the most far-reaching annual conference in the 79 years history of the world's pioneer Labour movement.

The 800 delegates representing the largest membership ever recorded—more than 7,500,000 trade unionists—went straight to work "with a full sense of realism" to hear a special report assuring the Labour Government of their support in Britain's time of crisis.

When the conference ends, the report said: "Contact will be made with the Government to get the clearest possible picture of the situation and to sit down with the appropriate Ministers to consider the plans of the Government for meeting the immediate position."

Further cuts in addition to those announced last week in the imports of food and petrol, and foreign travel restrictions, were inevitable, the report said.

It paid tribute to South Africa, Australia and New Zealand for "again carrying our heartfelt gratitude in rallying to the help of Britain."—Reuter.

Concerned with the gravity of the economic situation, almost to the exclusion of everything else, delegates unanimously approved a resolution urging coal miners to halt absenteeism and unofficial strikes threatening the production of vitally needed fuel.

The resolution was supported by Arthur Horner, Communist general secretary of the National Union of Mine Workers, who called upon men from all walks of life to speed production by taking up "this dirty, difficult and dangerous work" of coal mining.

"We are going down the hill in manpower in the mines," he warned, adding, "we need help from those who have never thought it necessary to do any job at all."

"In the final analysis everything revolves on drawing new forces from the ranks, not only the sons of miners, but sons of all sections of the community."

Risking a threatened strike of 10,000 clerical workers employed in the coal industry, the Congress approved a General Council report recommending the merger of "colliery level" members of the Clerical Union with the National Union of Mineworkers.—Associated Press.

Stupidity Ends

London, Sept. 1.
One of the largest fruit and vegetable crops ever known may stop the importing of foreign fruit and vegetables altogether, following a protest from home growers, a spokesman of the Food Ministry said today.

Farmers with their fruit rotting on trees say they cannot find buyers even if their produce was picked and put out that up to a few weeks ago planes were flying from £2,000,000 worth of fruit every month.

This week tons of apples, pears and plums will not be picked. Cabbages, marrows, lettuce, runner beans, peas and cucumbers are being dumped.—Reuter.

Isaacs Sounds Warning

Southport, Sept. 2.
The Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, pointedly told the Trade Union Congress today "we must make ourselves free from outside domination, whether political or economic."

He did not make clear his reference but it is assumed he meant to allude to the American loan.

The Minister urged Labour's cooperation with the crisis-fighting plan to direct the use of workers into essential industries. "This power will be used in a reasonable and sympathetic manner, and will be used only after the worker has been given the choice of important work," he said.

He promised full use of it, however, in cases of what he described as "revs and drosses and butterflies."

Mr. Isaacs asked the TUC to help "smooth the way for employment of Polish workers or European volunteer workers," in which he said he is already getting cooperation despite some few snags.

Opening the debate on the economic situation the TUC Secretary General, Vincent Tewson, made a detailed reply to criticism which said the American loan should never have been contracted.

"At the time, rightly or wrongly, the alternative was we should tighten our belts very tightly," he said.

Pledging support to the Government, he concluded: "It is now our job to look into the future, and where necessary learn by our mistakes."—United Press.

ANGLO-YUGOSLAV TRADE TALKS

London, Sept. 1.
The Anglo-Yugoslav trade talks which began in London a fortnight ago are expected to be concluded next week, it was learned here today.

It is decided that a trade agreement should be signed in London. Mr. Melantje Popovitch, Yugoslav Foreign Trade Minister, will come here for the final stages of the talks. Members of the Yugoslav delegation are now visiting British factories and inspecting industrial and electrical equipment which might be available for export.

Conversely, it is believed that a British delegation will shortly leave for Yugoslavia to inspect Yugoslavia's stocks of grain, meat, poultry, lard, fruit, vegetable oils, metals, and timber available for export.

PIPER CUB TRIP

The Hague, Sept. 1.
George W. Truman and Clifford V. Evans, the United States flyers who are making a "take-it-easy" trip round the world in two 100 horsepower Piper Cub planes, arrived at Ypenburg Airfield near here today from Brussels.—Reuter.

There Are Many Things Wedemeyer Does Not Know

China's Premier Replies To US. Fact-Finder

Nanking, Sept. 1.
Premier Chang Chun told the United Press today that there would be no change in either the domestic or foreign policy of the Chinese Government as a result of the Wedemeyer mission and declared: "There are many things which Gen. Wedemeyer does not know."

The Premier said while he met Wedemeyer, he did not hold any "serious" discussions with him. "General Wedemeyer paid more attention to the people outside the Government than in it," the Prime Minister said.

Many of the reforms suggested in the Wedemeyer statement were already being carried out before the General's visit to China.

"Perhaps Gen. Wedemeyer thought that he was not away from China for a long time and still knew China well," the Prime Minister said. "There were many people who wanted to see Gen. Wedemeyer and could not and there were many things not known to the General."

He said Gen. Wedemeyer got lots of help from his advisors "and the General perhaps thought these materials were enough." He personally was a good friend of Gen. Wedemeyer and recognized the good intentions of the General, "but as a representative of the United States President, Gen. Wedemeyer's statement has caused a lot of criticism among the Chinese."

No Change

Asked whether his assertion that there would be no change in Chinese domestic and foreign policy as a result of Gen. Wedemeyer's statement meant that he did not agree with Wedemeyer's contention that "drastic far-reaching political and economic reforms" were necessary, Chang replied that such changes were already provided for in the form of a new constitution and the forthcoming national elections.

Chang Chung said that such changes, however, must be made "step by step" according to the schedule already decided on by the Chinese Government.

"We are improving," the Premier said. "Minor affairs should not be mixed with matters of policy. It is a question of method. The Chinese policy is fixed and will not change either domestically or foreign."

Our American friends say that the Chinese Government is not efficient. We are studying ways and means and we know we have a lot to learn from the United States and Western countries as changes in China involve many things—old customs and systems of procedures.

"This does not mean we are not trying to improve our present administration, and there are things we can do now but many must wait. We know, for example, the period of political tutelage is not good and we are trying to conclude it as soon as possible. But it is unrealistic to end the tutelage period until the constitution is put into operation."

The Chinese Prime Minister added: "Many such changes can only be done after the constitution is operative." The Premier said that ever since the government reorganization the National Government had a heavier responsibility and much more work but nevertheless, it was doing all efforts to usher in the constitutional period.

The Elections

"In spite of all obstacles, the government is determined to finish this work this year," he said. "Many people express doubts whether the government really intends to hold the national elections this autumn and had suggested that they might be postponed because of the civil war. The Chinese policy is to hold the elections and the government is not going to change this policy."

The Premier touched on other matters which have been subject to criticism from "American friends" such as the export and import regulations, which businessmen felt keenly and said the government was effecting improvements but foreign critics should not expect a change overnight. Chang said the Chinese Government's specific reactions to the Wedemeyer mission were contained in a note handed to Gen. Wedemeyer a few days prior to the General's departure which, he said, represented both his views and the views of the Chinese Government.—United Press.

Chinese Textiles For H.K.

Shanghai, Sept. 2.
The China Textile Incorporated, the largest State-owned enterprise in China today, has signed contracts for the sale of products in Hong Kong, Singapore and Slam.

Overseas Chinese, meanwhile, are said to be forming a separate company with a capital of US\$1,000,000 to handle the Textile Corporation's products in the Philippines.

Chinese exports in June dropped by almost 35 per cent compared with May, according to Chinese Maritime Customs trade returns issued today. June exports totalled CN\$267,000,000 compared with the previous month's CN\$415,000,000, showing a sharp decline of CN\$148,000,000.

There was a reduction of nearly CN\$40,000,000 in the exports of bristles and woodoil, while most of the remainder of the decline was accounted for by the textile groups.

Imports in June, on the other hand, showed a slight increase of CN\$11,000,000,000 to reach the total of CN\$352,000,000 due chiefly to the increased arrivals of foreign oil products.

Capital goods worth CN\$120,000,000 continued to lead imports with CN\$99,000,000 worth of oil products occupying second place.

The import of wool declined but arrivals of raw cotton increased.

Shanghai continued to lead other China ports in foreign trade, handling 83 per cent of the imports and 65 per cent of the exports.

Canton and Kowloon were next in importance.—Reuter.

The Weather

Anticyclones are centred over Hoph and the Bonos. A trough of low pressure lying along the E coast of Japan is moving E, while another extending from Luzon Burma to the S China coast and thence SE to Luzon and the Caroline is stationary.

Today's Forecast—Fresh E and SE winds; cloudy, with periods of rain.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 81.1 deg. Fah. Minimum 78.5 deg. Fah. Sunshine Nil. Rainfall 0.0 mm. = 0.00 inches. Total since Jan. 1—2185.5 mm. = 86.1 inches. as against an average of 1729.5 mm. = 67.75 inches.

Barometer at sea level 1004.5 mm. = 29.95 in. at 4 p.m. Barometer at 1004.5 mm. = 29.95 in. at 4 p.m. Barometer at 1004.5 mm. = 29.95 in. at 4 p.m.

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CRETE QUAKE

Athens, Sept. 1.
An earthquake tremor shook the island of Crete at 22 minutes past midnight last night, devastating hundreds of their homes at Candia, but there was little damage.—United Press.

IT WAS NOT HIS "LUCKY STAR"

Charged with being drunk and behaving in a riotous manner in the Lucky Star Cafe, 273 Nathan Road, at 1.30 a.m. yesterday, a 45-year-old Indian, Hariam, was fined \$75 by Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday.

Defendant appeared in Court with a slight cut over his right temple and blood on his shirt. During the proceedings he had to be given a chair.

According to Inspector J. Orem, accused was at the Lucky Star Cafe, somewhat drunk. Two Chinese gentlemen were sitting at the next table.

After a sailor with whom accused was having an argument had left, said Inspector Orem, Hariam turned to the Chinese and threw a glass of beer in the face of one of them. The man got up and would have come to blows with defendant if Petty Officer Wallace Watson of HMS "Flycatcher" had not stepped in between them.

When Sub-Inspector Cutler went to the scene, accused was belligerent and attempted to push past the Police officer.

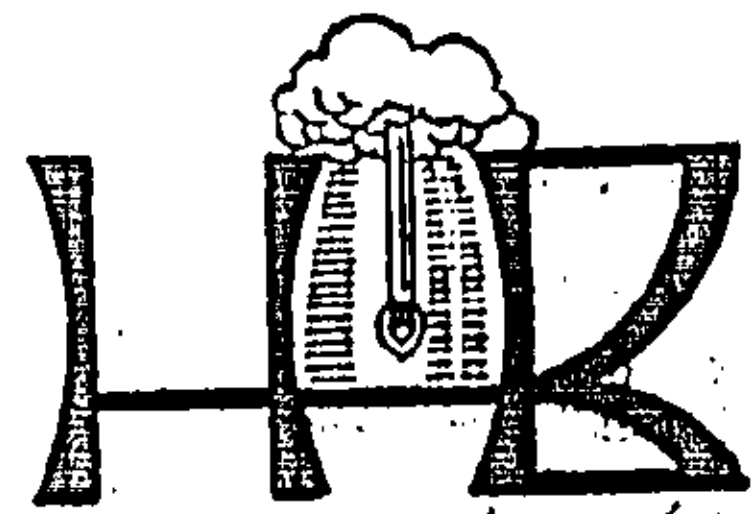
He was finally taken to Yau-mat Police Station where it was found that he was too drunk to be released on bail. At 5.30 a.m., concluded Inspector Orem, he was let out on bail.

After sentence had been passed, Hariam requested the Court to instruct the Press present not to publish the case.

His Worship: "I cannot instruct the gentlemen of the Press as to what they should or should not report. I leave it to their entire discretion."

To Be Wed

The forthcoming wedding of Lieut. George Sumpter, Delahay Coleridge Davis, R.N., H.M.S. "Comet" to Miss June Reader Harris, Helena May, Garden Road, is announced.



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SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER FOR HONG KONG

Govt. Dept. To Probe Local Conditions

Hong Kong's social welfare problems will henceforth come within the scope of Government's functions. A new department will soon be set up, to be called the Social Welfare Department, to probe into, and endeavour to remove, social ills of as far as possible improve social conditions.

Announcing this at a Press conference yesterday, Hong Kong's first Social Welfare Officer designate, Mr. McDouall, said plans are under way for the setting up of this new department, which will work either as a separate organisation or as a sub-department of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Hong Kong's new Social Welfare Officer is taking on a job after his own heart. A keen social worker, he has spent the past seventeen months making a close study of social welfare work at home, including a 12-month course in social science at the Birmingham University. He has come back full of ideas for improving Hong Kong's social lot.

His first assignment was to head Hong Kong's 5-person delegation to the South-east Asia Social Welfare Conference in Singapore, which concluded its 4-day session on August 23.

Mr. McDouall gave a review of the recommendations of that Conference which, he said, had accomplished much. Though each country had problems peculiar to itself, the delegates had exchanged valuable information and data.

Plans for Hong Kong had not yet been decided on, said Mr. McDouall. He had only just returned to the Colony, and required time to study local conditions in relation to those recommendations, and so how far they would apply here.

The most urgent problem facing Hong Kong today, he said, is child welfare—what to do with the mobs of homeless or destitute children prowling the streets and what to do with them to prevent them from being exploited and being led into crime. He agreed it was a big problem, which required the collaboration of various other Government departments as well as public spirited individuals and private social organisations, if it is to be tackled with any hope of success.

Concluding his remarks Mr. McDouall said everything was still in the planning stage, and he hoped, after a closer study of the problem he would be able to see how it should first be approached.

Community Affair

It is for the public to take an interest in the work, it is a community affair, and it is everybody's business to see that the work is being properly done. This public spirit plus voluntary assistance, will mean whether the department is going to be a success or not.

The new department is a department of Government, which foots its bills, and any action taken by it will be at Government expense.

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Personalities

E. J. Young, owner-manager of Motion Picture Enterprises in Honolulu, Hawaii, and his assistant manager, Ferné J. Young, are making a survey of the motion picture industry in Hong Kong and China. Mr. Young is keenly interested in visual education and said yesterday that there are sufficient instructional film subjects now available for all classes from kindergarten to universities and equipment is plentiful to take care of every need.

S.I. Reddish charged Mak Chiu, 20 year old licensed driver, before Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday, with speeding and failing to notify change of his address. He was fined \$100 or four weeks.

Malicious Wounding Charge

A man who was alleged to have been a detective in the Japanese Police Force, appeared before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

So Man, unemployed, was charged by Det. Sub-Inspector J.R. Sikes, with maliciously wounding Ng Keung, a cook at the Kowloon Hospital, at the Mee Sze Teahouse, 81 Argyle Street, on June 1, demanding with menaces \$400 from Ng on May 31, and being a member of the Wo Yee Hing Triad Society.

Dr. Frank King, Kowloon Hospital, affirmed that Ng Keung was admitted to hospital on June 1 suffering from three lacerated and four stab wounds on the body and arms. In evidence, Ng Keung stated that he was employed as a "European cook" at the Kowloon Hospital. At 10 p.m. on May 31 he was having tea with Lee Tong at Pitt Street when two unknown Chinese approached.

One of them, accused, asked him whether he was Ng Keung and, on his admitting it, told him that Chan Fung was formerly his (So Man's) wife and that if he wanted to continue his friendship with her he had to pay \$400.

When witness replied that he had no money, defendant threatened assault. They actually came to blows, but his friend separated them.

Two Chinese detectives, Chan Ling and Lau Hing, took the four of them to the Yau-mat Police Station where they were

Demanded Money With Menaces

Sentence of 18 months' hard labour was passed on O Yiu-kong, 22, by Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for demanding with menaces \$5 from a woman, Muk Ho, on Aug. 28.

Two counts of procuring the money for the San Yee On Triad Society and of being a member of that society were withdrawn by Detective Sub-Inspector D.S. Roberts, who prosecuted.

DSI Roberts stated that Muk Ho was a member of the San Yee On for several months and paid defendant \$1 or \$2 each month as membership dues. Receipts were given.

Three months ago, continued DSI Roberts, she refused to pay and since had been continually pestered by accused.

At 2 p.m. on Aug. 28, defendant called again and asked for the subscription. When she refused to pay, defendant said, "I warn you to be careful if you don't pay."

The woman reported to Shamshuipo Police Station, and was given a marked \$5 note. Two Chinese detectives, Tam Sang and Cheung Lau-kam, were sent to the flat and arrested themselves on the premises.

At 7.30 p.m. the same day, accused called again and asked for money. He was given the marked \$5 note, whereupon the detectives emerged and arrested him.

Searched at the Police Station, concluded DSI Roberts, the \$5 note and a note-book containing the names of a number of women were found on accused.

Inquest On Stanley Death

Mr. F.X. d'Almada was the Coroner at Central yesterday at the inquest on Tsui Siu-bup, 26, a nine-month sentence prisoner of Stanley Prison, who was found dead in his cell on August 25.

Dr. Gould gave a long and detailed account of his post mortem examination. In his opinion, death was caused through at least three persons taking part in an assault on deceased. Death occurred during the assault or a couple of minutes later.

Inspector Williamson requested the magistrate to adjourn the inquest; he was not in a position to carry on until the police had completed their enquiries.

Mr. d'Almada apologised to the jury for having to adjourn the inquest.

Tried To Take Tree

For attempting to steal a tree on the hillside of Tyam Tuk on the night of August 23, Shum Ching was sentenced to six weeks hard labour (or a \$50 fine) by Mr. Conklin at Central Court yesterday.

Trying to escape the Forestry Guard who apprehended him, Shum fell and fractured his pelvis. Shum asked for a fine but Mr. Conklin suggested that he stay in prison so that he could eat while his broken bones were mending.

For using the first floor of No. 3 Man Yuen Lane as a brothel, Chung Fung, 32, was fined \$260 or two months when she appeared before Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Chun Fong, 32, unemployed, was charged with larceny of a wooden box and a kerosene pump lamp from a shed at Pottinger Street wharf, before Mr. F.X. d'Almada yesterday. He was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, to be followed by expulsion.

Robbers Get Seven Years, Caning

Found guilty by jury of robbery, Chan Kwai, Wan Chuen-choi and Chan Sau were yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Puisne Judge) to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour and ten strokes of the cane.

The accused, who were found guilty of unlawful possession of arms and ammunition at the last Sessions, and given a four-year sentence each, were informed by Mr. Justice Williams yesterday that this sentence would run concurrently with the seven-year sentence.

Tai Yuck-hon, also charged with unlawful possession of arms and ammunition and with robbery, was found guilty and sentenced to five years' imprisonment with hard labour. Accused received a lighter sentence on account of his age.

Accused were charged with robbing Lai Tim, while armed with a rifle, a revolver, a Mauser pistol and a dagger, of CNY\$150,000, four sets of clothing, one piece of canvas and a sun helmet, at Mira Day on June 27.

The case for the Crown was conducted by Mr. A. Lonsdale assisted by Detective Inspector E. Franklin.

After sentence had been passed, Mr. Lonsdale made an application to Mr. Justice Williams, under Section 25 of the Supreme Court Ordinance, for compensation to be paid to Crown witnesses, who had been kept away from their normal business for some 60 days as a result of having to appear at the trial.

Mr. Justice Williams, granting the application, made an order for reasonable compensation to be paid to the respective witnesses.

Legislative Council

At to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Attorney General will move the First reading of:

A Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Asiatic Emigration Ordinance, 1916."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:

A Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend further the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

A Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Education Ordinance, 1913."

A Bill intitled "An Ordinance to relieve companies (other than China companies) against their inability or failure since the 8th of December, 1941, to comply with the Companies Ordinance, 1932, to provide for the making of necessary returns by such companies, to provide a means whereby companies can remedy the loss of registers, records and documents and for other connected matters."

The Asiatic Emigration Ordinance change is designed for the purpose of doubling the fee payable for a passage broker's licence.

For throwing a bucket of dirty water over the verandah of No. 48 Graham Street, first floor, fouling the uniform of P.C. 1828 and offering a bribe of 40 cents to the constable to quash the matter, Yu Wah, 30, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

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PAA Direct Air Service To Hong Kong

Pan-American World Airways announced today that direct air services to Hong Kong will be resumed on September 28.

Four flights, weekly will depart for the United States; two via Manila, one flight weekly via Shanghai, Tokyo, Wake, Honolulu and San Francisco or Los Angeles, and once weekly through the Far East and Europe via Bangkok, Calcutta, Istanbul, Karachi, London and Shannon in New York or Washington D.C.

Pan American Airways' resumption of services into Hong Kong will offer direct air transportation to major Oriental and European cities, to the capital cities of Central and South America, and is the first airline to offer direct air service around the world.

Twelve years ago, with the Clippers, Pan American Airways pioneered air transportation across the Pacific. Scheduled services were interrupted during the war, after the "Hong Kong Clipper" was sunk at Kai Tak in an air attack by the Japanese on December 8, 1941.

Many technical and passenger comfort improvements will be included with the resumption of services. The pre-war five days flight time will be reduced to two and one-half days.

Douglas Sky-master "Clippers" featuring "Sleepettes", the unique new seating units which provide full reclining lounges and compartment privacy for air travelers will be standard equipment on all flights.

It Rained In August

The report of the Director of the Royal Observatory on the weather of August says:

Apart from the excess of rain, half of which fell in the first week, August showed no great deviations from normal. The maximum temperature, 94.0°F, is the highest recorded since August, 1900.

The month's figures, and departures are as follows:—

Rainfall 574.7 mm., 212.3 mm. above average.

Sunshine 100.3 hours, 11.3 hours below average.

Mean relative humidity 86%, 3% above average.

Mean dew point 77°F, 1°F above average.

Mean temperature 81.7°F, same as average.

Maximum temperature 94.0°F on 29th.

Minimum temperature 73.7°F on 4th.

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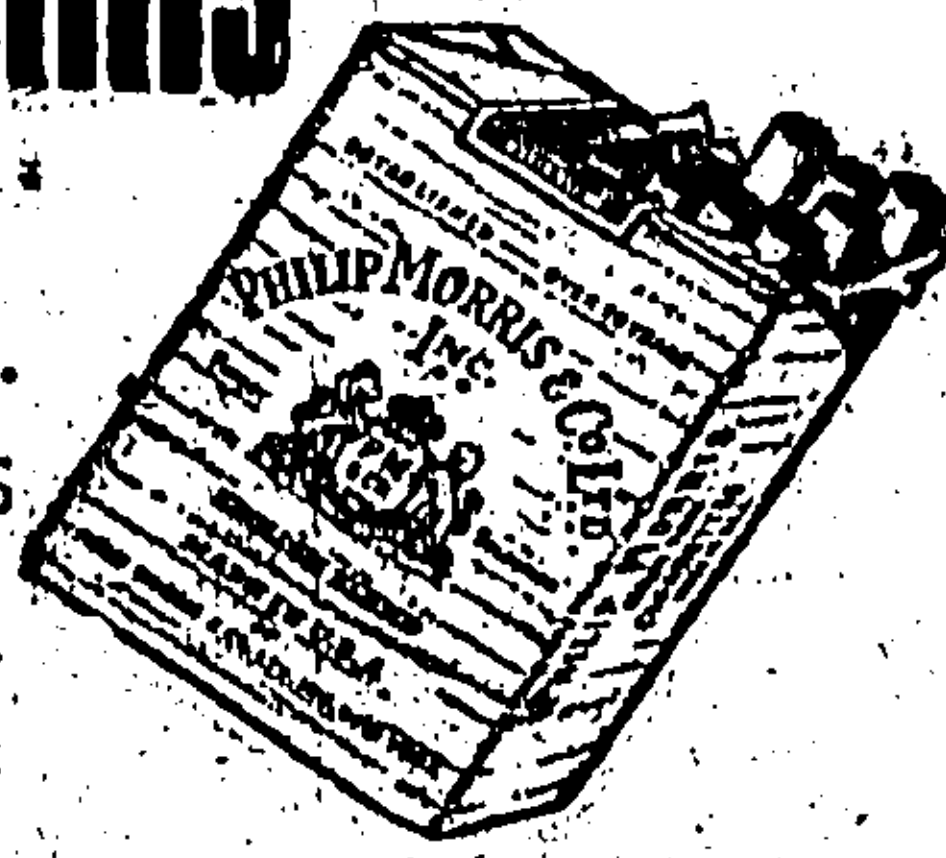
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Arabs Threaten To Fight Partition Of Palestine

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London, Sept. 1. Arab leaders in Jerusalem, Cairo, London and New York tonight rejected the United Nations report recommending the partition of Palestine as "blatantly unfair" and threatened to oppose it even by force of arms.

Even the minority report by India, Persia, and Yugoslavia proposing a federal state was rejected.

"Arabs will resist any attempt to implement either the majority or minority recommendations with all the resources at their disposal," Wasef Kamel, representative of the Palestine Arab Higher Committee in New York declared.

The Jewish reaction was a guarded, non-committal approval.

Arab declarations in the four capitals concerned were:

Cairo: Jamal Hussein, Vice-Chairman of the Arab Higher Committee which met today to discuss the report, said: "We are going to fight with all means and with the help of neighbouring countries to keep Palestine an Arab country."

A prominent Arab personality who kept his name secret said the feeling in the Moslem world was mounting that Palestine's status as an Arab country "must be defended by force of arms."

Jerusalem: Itshak Hussein, a kinsman of the Mufti of Jerusalem and an Arab newspaper editor, also threatened that Arabs would resist the partition by force if necessary.

London: A spokesman of the Arab Office, set up in London by the Arab League, called

ed the proposals an "almost 100 per cent Zionist solution, blatantly unfair in its details."

The Arab Mayor of Jaffa, now visiting Britain, called it "farceful" to include this city which he said contained 95,000 Arabs and 25,000 Jews, in the Jewish state.

No Government comment was available tonight.

New York: Abdel Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League, said that in giving Haifa, Jaffa and most of the coast to the Jewish state the report was "obviously prejudiced and ridiculous—a distortion of justice."

A "cautious welcome" to the plan was given by the liberal Jewish newspaper in Jerusalem Haaretz. The refugees on board the immigrant fleet sailing for Hamburg, showed "restrained satisfaction."

Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog commented in Jerusalem on the proposal to admit 150,000 immigrants in the next two years: "Every Jew brought into Palestine is a Jew saved."

The Jewish Agency here today also waiting instructions, in their case for the plenary session of the Agency's execu-

Take 'Em Young

London, Sept. 1. "Pavlov" greeted the opening of the new school year in Russia today by telling teachers to fill Soviet youth with a "profound contempt for bowing and scraping before the bourgeois culture of the West."—United Press.

live in conference at Zurich, Switzerland.

"Reasonably Workable"

The London office of the Agency would not indicate the trend of the executive's reaction, but a spokesman pointed out that during the past 12 months, some executive members had been saying that even though they did not like the idea of a partition, they would be willing to consider any scheme which promised to establish "reasonably workable" states.

Britain has so far received only a summarized version of the report of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine and official circles today refused to comment on it, written Reuter diplomatic correspondent.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that it was most improbable that any comment would be made by British official quarters before the report has been debated by the United Nations General Assembly, and in any case there would be none before the full document was received and studied by the Colonial and Foreign Offices.—Reuter.

Stern Gang Threat

Jerusalem, Sept. 1. The Jewish terrorist Stern Gang tonight called on the Jewish people to "prepare for a prolonged war against the British" in a statement strongly criticising the United Nations partition plan for Palestine.

The one point the statement welcomed was the proposal to end Britain's mandate.

Arab Minority

Mrs. Golda Myerson, the head of the Jewish Agency's Political Department, giving the Agency's views today on the recommendations of the United Nations Palestine Committee, regretted that "Jewish Jerusalem and Western Galilee" were excluded from the Jewish state, proposed in the majority report.

"Jerusalem and Palestine are practically synonymous. Jews and non-Jews always thought of them as one," she added. Mrs. Myerson told the Press that though the Jewish Agency had still not worked the exact figures involved, it was believed that 600,000 Arabs lived in the area of Palestine delineated in the Committee's report as a Jewish state.—Reuter.

PAULUS STORY DISCREDITED

Berlin, Sept. 1. American German and Russian quarters on Sunday discredited a Hamburg radio report stating that former Field Marshal Friedrich Von Paulus, captured with his German Army at Stalingrad, had returned to Germany to head a political movement for the Russians.

Hamburg radio said it had obtained the information from the American-licensed newspaper "Tagesspiegel" in Berlin. The editors of "Tagesspiegel" denied that they had ever published such news.—Associated Press.

LONDON SHELL EXPLOSION

LONDON, SEPT. 1. ONE WORKMAN WAS KILLED AND TWO OTHERS WERE INJURED WHEN A SHELL, SAID TO BE AN AMERICAN 75 MILLIMETRE SHELL, EXPLODED ON A BOMB-CLEARED AREA IN OXFORD STREET, LONDON'S BUSIEST SHOPPING DISTRICT, TODAY.

The building on the site was occupied by United States troops, but it has also been used as an exhibition place for war equipment and one report said that a German 75 millimetre type shell had been found after the explosion.

A bomb disposal squad located and removed two unexploded shells when called to the scene. Lieutenant W. Jacobs of the disposal squad said that the explosion was caused by heat from a fire at which workmen had been burning rubble.

He could offer no explanation for the presence of the shells on the site however.—Reuter.

Frankfurt, Sept. 1. General Omar Bradley arrived today in Frankfurt for a visit on his tour of the European Command.—United Press.

Reds -- Naturally -- Lead In Hungary

(By Harbert Harrison, Reuters Correspondent)

Budapest, Sept. 1.

The Communist Party headed the poll when the final results of yesterday's Hungarian general election—the second since the war—were declared today after the five Social Democrat Ministers had decided to resign from the Coalition Cabinet because of electoral abuses.

The Communists, with 1,005,592 votes, had received more than a third of those cast for the Government Coalition and more than a fifth of the total poll of 4,995,101 votes, thus replacing the Smallholders Party as the dominant group in the Coalition.

The Smallholders Party—the largest party in the old Parliament—took third place with 757,082 votes, the Social Democrats came fourth with 732,178, and the remaining party in the Coalition, the National Peasants, sixth with 435,170 votes.

Second place was taken by the Democratic People's Party, a new Opposition party whose success was said to be almost entirely due to the unofficial support of many of the Catholic clergy, though the bishops had declared that the Catholic church was neutral.

Other leading Opposition parties were the Hungarian Independence Party, led by M. Zoltan Pfeiffer, former Smallholder deputy, which came fifth with 718,193 votes, and the Independent Democratic Party of Father Stephen Balogh, former Secretary General of the Smallholders Party, which came seventh with 256,396 votes.

The Government Coalition gained just over 60 per cent of the votes, the percentage which, under the electoral law, gives it 80 per cent of the pool of 60 seats known as the national list.

The five Social Democrat Ministers decided to resign after a heated all-night session of their Party's political committee, called to discuss the allegations of fraudulent practices, including the use of "flying squads" of voters who were said to have balloted many times over in different polling stations.

The political committee of the

BRITAIN ASKED TO KEEP ARMY IN GREECE

Washington, Sept. 1. The United States has asked Great Britain to defer indefinitely her plan to withdraw British troops from Greece, it was learned on responsible diplomatic authority here today.

Discussions on the matter are now going on here, and the acting United States Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, and other United States officials, are understood to have asked the British Government to postpone the withdrawal of troops at least until the position there has been stabilized, until the United States aid mission led by Mr. Dwight Griswold has "found its feet and dug in", or until a permanent frontier commission has been established.

United States officials are understood to be arguing that the situation in Greece has deteriorated considerably since Britain took her original decision to withdraw troops, and that fulfilment of that decision now might have serious repercussions.

In view of the critical nature of the Greek situation at this time Britain is expected by independent observers here to accede to the request.

United States officials are reported to be contesting the British arguments that the presence of troops in Greece is causing a serious drain on domestic manpower and financial resources.

They claimed that the number of troops in Greece was not great, and larger numbers could usefully be withdrawn from other less vital areas. Similarly, the upkeep of this comparatively small number of troops was not

coasting Britain anything in dollars.

There appears to have been no detailed discussion of the possibility of the United States taking their place, though there are no legal barriers to prevent such action.

No Fixed Date

Britain informed the Greek Government on August 5, through the British Charge d'Affaires in Athens, that it had been decided to withdraw the British troops from Greece. No fixed date was given for the move, and no reason stated, and the Greek Government was assured that the British would "continue to show their interest in Greece."

Reports in Washington last week, however, indicated that Britain intended to withdraw by October, or possibly by the end of this month. About 5,000 to 7,000 men are involved.

British Foreign Office officials tonight refused to comment on the Washington request. Washington's view, it is reliably understood, is that the moral effect of the withdrawal, even of the token force of British troops now left in Greece, would have very serious consequences for the Greek Government.

At the same time, United States public opinion remains much opposed to the replacement of British troops by American troops. In London political circles it is expected that though the British Government may hesitate to give a binding undertaking to leave troops in Greece for an undefined period, they will, in fact, not be withdrawn this autumn.

Meanwhile, the United Nations Balkans Sub-Commission left Salonika today for Alexandroupolis, in eastern Thrace, on its way to the Greco-Bulgarian frontier to investigate reported incidents there, the Athens news agency reported. The investigation will be made on Greek territory. The Bulgarian Government has not yet replied to a request from the Sub-Commission for a Bulgarian liaison delegate to be sent.—Reuter.

RAIL CRASH

Rome, Sept. 1. Thirty-six persons were injured today when two trains collided head-on nine miles from the city.

An electric passenger train heading for Fiumicino and a freight train from Pisa met on the same line because of the mistake of an engineer, whom the police were said to have arrested for questioning.—United Press.

Mosquitoes In Canada Are Choosey

Toronto, Sept. 1. Secret research work being carried out in the Canadian Army's hush-hush experimental camp at Port Churchill is secret no longer.

The Russians, so suspicious of this sub-arctic camp, will benefit from the newly-acquired knowledge of how to repel the attacks of our common enemy—the mosquito.

Under the directions of scientists from the Dominion Department of Agriculture, soldiers have been experimenting with various sprays, repellents and head-nets, giving their blood to save others.

On D-Day of "Operation Mosquito" they had to let the enemy settle on their bare legs, and count the number which would come to dine on doped and undoped limbs. Old hands with the fly-swatter will not be surprised to hear that the bogey for Tommy Atkins' leg is 120 bites a minute.

Chukchi claim that their mosquitoes are so choosey that they look at soldiers' identification discs to find their favourite blood type before selecting their dinner.—Our Own Correspondent.

MEXICAN OIL COMPROMISE

Mexico City, Sept. 2. President Miguel Aleman announced on Monday the settlement of an estimated \$250,000,000 oil expropriation debt, owed to British and Dutch concerns, for \$120,000 plus three per cent interest since the government took over the properties in March 1938.—Associated Press.

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| Milk Ghl | 52 tons. |
| Vegetable Ghl | 104 tons. |
| Pickles | 11,000 lbs. |
| Onion | 1,800 lbs. |
| Spices | 80 lbs. |
| Achar Pickles | 475 lbs. |
| Condiment Powder | 39 tons. |
| Chillies | 540 lbs. |
| Turnerite | 1,175 lbs. |
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TSALDARIS UNDER PRESSURE

Athens, Sept. 1.

The new Populist-
dominated government
of Premier Constantin
Tsaldaris barely surviv-
ed the weekend.

American officials, who have
openly declared their wishes
for a broadened government,
conferred with Tsaldaris this
morning in what was officially
described as a courtesy call.

Loy Henderson, State Depart-
ment representative, who at-
tended with the American Am-
bassador to Athens, Lincoln
McVane, said the talks were
on a global basis and did not
concern Greek internal affairs.

However, six leading politi-
cal leaders outside the Popu-
list Party informed King Paul,
after a conference today, that
they would not tolerate a one-
sided government and urged
the King to name a Premier
who would bring unity.

It is understood that Costas
Ventris, chief of the General
Staff, has threatened to resign
unless a coalition government
is effected soon.

Reports from the provinces
described scattered weekend
guerrilla operations raging
from Thrace to Southern Pelopon-
nese. The Prefect of Drama,
in Macedonia, appealed for re-
inforcements to quell new
guerrilla incursions, reportedly
from Bulgaria.—United Press.

India Reception in London

London, Sept. 1.

India today gave her first official
reception in London since the
Dominion was created on August
15.

It was held in honour of Asaf
Ali, the Ambassador to the United
States, and his wife the Hindu So-
cialist leader.

Among the guests, who crowded
the mahogany-paneled reading
room of India House, were Sir
Stafford Cripps, President of the
Board of Trade, Mr. Lewis Dou-
glas, United States Ambassador
in London, and representatives
from the Pakistan High Commis-
sioner's Office and members of the
Indian Armed Forces.—Reuter.

Transfer Of Power To Burma

Rangoon, Sept. 1.

The British Government hoped to complete by the
end of this year the necessary Parliamentary
processes for the transfer of power to Burma.
Lord Listowel, the Secretary of State for
Burma, announced on his arrival here today
on a goodwill mission.

It will introduce the necessary
legislation at the beginning of
the autumn session in Parliament
in October and will do every-
thing in its power to hasten its
passage into law and complete
the necessary processes by the
end of the present year.

Lord Listowel said: "The Brit-
ish Government and the people
of Britain followed with warm
admiration the excellent progress

Burma had made in the recon-
struction of her national economy
after the ravages of war in which
she had suffered so greatly and
in framing the constitution un-
der which she is to live.

"His Majesty's Government had
made clear beyond question her
anxiety that Burma should gain
full independence at the earliest
moment, that the arrangements
can be made for the transfer of
power and their intention to do
everything in their power to hasten
the date of its attainment."—
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I. NEWTON,
Director of Medical Services.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1947.

GERMAN HARVEST

Frankfurt, Germany,

Sept. 1.

The harvest in most of the
states of the Anglo-American
Zone of Germany is estimated
at only 50 to 60 per cent of
last year's. It was stated today
when the Food Ministers of the
eight states in the joint Zone
met to discuss the critical food
situation.

The situation has been ag-
gravated by the drought of the
last few months.—Reuter.

MARRIED AGAIN

Paris, Sept. 2.
The fabulously wealthy tobacco
heir, Doris Duke, was married
on Monday to dark and handsome
Porgio Rubirosa, honorary
Charge d'Affaires of the Domini-
can Republic.
It was the second marriage for
the 34-year-old "rich girl" in
the "world" and the third for her
groom.—Associated Press.

Barbed Wire And Watch Towers

Kuechnitz, Sept. 1.

Thirty-six husky German guards impassively
stood by as 100 Yugoslav expatriates strung
barbed wire and erected watch towers today
at Poppendorf and Amstau internment camps
near here.

The guards, operating under strict British orders,
will admit nobody without a special pass to
these settlements hacked out of thick pine
woods which will house the Jewish refugees
expected to arrive in Hamburg later this week.

Kuechnitz is a peaceful farm-
ing village eight miles north-
east of Luebeck where the re-
fugees who failed to crack the
Palestine naval blockade will
arrive by train from Hamburg
—providing the British au-
thorities succeed in breaking
the refugee's determination to
remain aboard the three British
transports.

Battle displaced persons and
German refugees were moved
from the two camps more
than a week ago.

Poppendorf is the largest of
the two and has 78 Nissen huts
which are touched by the sun
only at noon because of the
surrounding forests.

The refugees will go first to
Amstau for medical examina-
tion and delousing. The Brit-
ish authorities, with repre-
sentatives of the International
Refugee Organisation and the
Red Cross, will then divide the
immigrants into two groups—
displaced persons or refugees.

During that time, the immi-
grants will receive ordinary
German rations supplemented
by food from relief organiza-
tions.

Last-Minute Rush

Three thousand can be housed
at Poppendorf and about
half that number at Amstau.
Camp workers are hastily mov-
ing in cots, straw mattresses,
blankets and cooking utensils.
Plumbers struggled with run-
down sanitary facilities.

At the camp borders, where
husky German guards stood,
the Yugoslavs used miles of
double oiled barbed wire to
enclose the area. The wire
ran alongside watch towers in
which searchlights are placed.

The Jewish inmates will not
be permitted outside the camps
except on special passes.

Poppendorf, where the salty
breezes from the nearby Baltic
blend with the heavy pine
scented air, was a former
Wehrmacht discharge centre.—
United Press.

TROOPS TO LEAVE ITALY

Rome, Sept. 1.

A Foreign Office spokesman dis-
closed today that Italy and the
United States will sign an agree-
ment this week providing for the
evacuation of American troops
from Italy under the terms of
the peace treaty.

Arrangements will effect the
withdrawal of 15,000 United
States troops in the Mediter-
anean Theatre within the stipulated
90 days after the Big Four
powers deposit ratification of the
treaty.

The accord, however, will not
concern 8,000 troops scheduled to
remain in the free territory of
Trieste.—United Press.

AIR RACE CRASH

Cleveland, Sept. 2.

One pilot was killed on Monday
as four planes crashed during the
Thompson Trophy—outstanding
event of the National Air Races,
while Cook Cleland, of Cleveland,
reared to victory with a new re-
cord speed of 395.1 miles an hour.
—Associated Press.

Truman Makes Bid For Labour Vote

Washington, Sept. 1.

The Truman administration today unfolded a
portion of its 1948 political strategy to win the
labour vote by attacking high prices and push-
ing welfare legislation favoured by the unions.

President Truman's bid for
the labour vote, which the late
President Roosevelt won regu-
larly, was in time for labour's
additional holiday.

It came amid angry battle
cries of the union leaders for
repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act
and for a political action pro-
gramme in 1948 that will unseat
those Congressmen who voted
for this law. Labour's opposi-
tion was strongly backed by
Senator Claude Pepper in three
separate Labour Day speeches
in Florida.

Pepper called on Americans
"to dedicate themselves anew
to breaking the shackles of this
vicious act and restoring the
American working man and
woman to new dignity and a new
level of living."

On the other side of the fence,
the National Association of
Manufacturers took a more re-
strained tone, praising labour and
saying merely that it is better
off today than it was before the
war.

Welfare Legislation

President Truman tipped his
hand on part of the 1948 legis-
lative programme he will present
to Congress in January.

President Truman said in his
Labour Day message that among
the "most" legislation for the
Congress "early in its next
session" will be proposals to
broaden the social security
system, establish an adequate
health insurance system, increase
the minimum wage rate and
restore to the Labour Depart-
ment all government functions
relating to the welfare of labour.

The Secretary of Labour,
Lewis B. Schwellenbach, de-
livered a blast at high prices on
Sunday night in a radio speech.

It was the first public utterance
by a top administration official
since the recent report that
Truman planned another "moral
pressure" campaign to try to
"talk down prices."—United
Press.

FINNISH TALKS BEGIN

London, Sept. 1.

Talks began today between
Finnish and British financial
authorities about the effect on
Finland on the suspension of
sterling convertibility.

It is known that Finland had
a favourable trade balance with
Britain and her accumulated
sterling is "estimated at any-
thing up to £10,000,000," an
authoritative source said to-
night.—Reuter.

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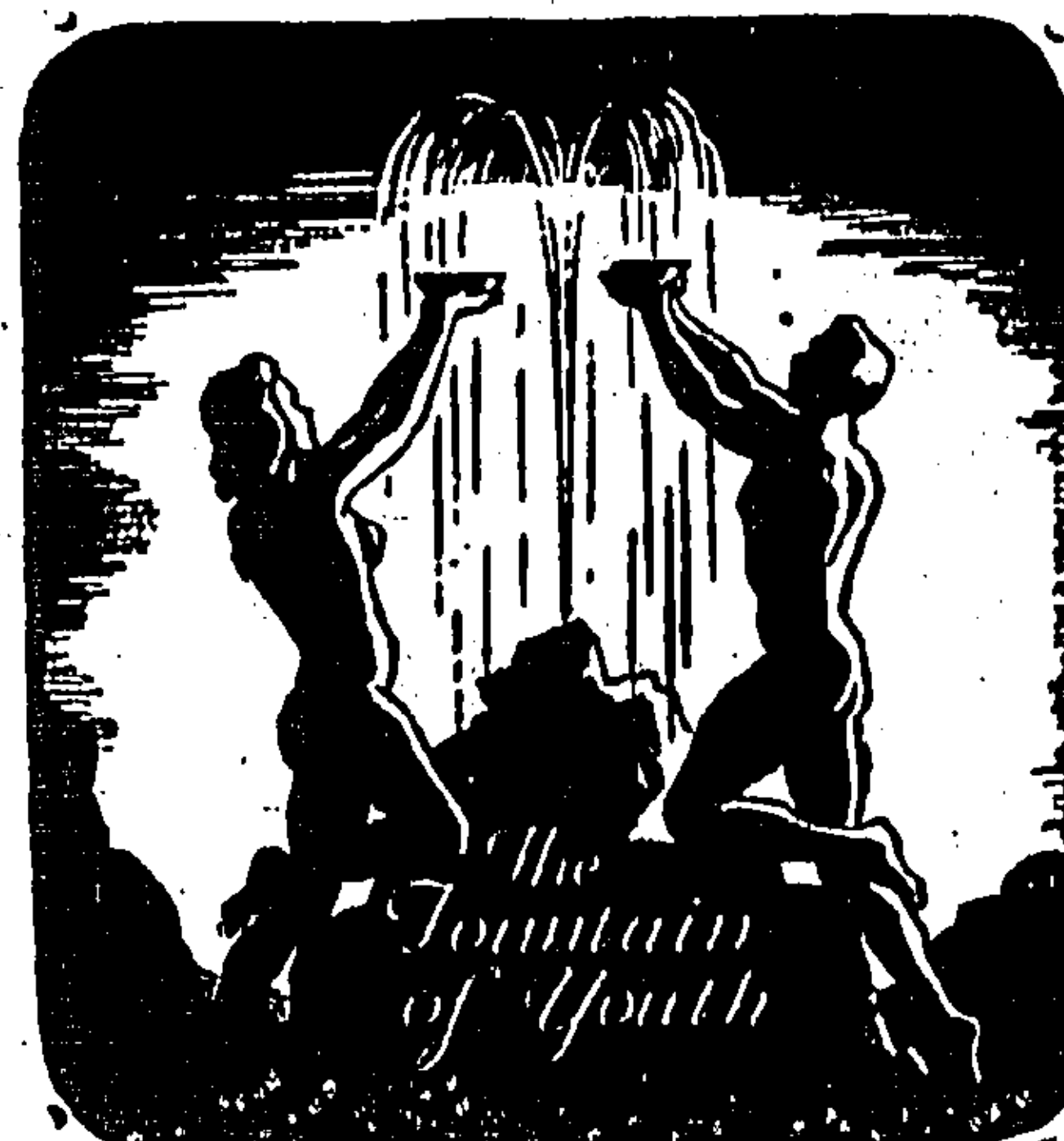


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SOCIAL SERVICES USELESS WITHOUT EDUCATION

Addressing the Rotary Club yesterday, Mr. T. R. Rowell, Director of Education, declared that teachers, while retaining their dignity of their profession, must never allow "class" or political considerations to influence their school work.

Mr. Rowell said education and the community had a duty to each other. Provision of essential social services was useless, he emphasised, unless the population was educated in their necessity and in the individual's own responsibility in maintaining them.

"The youth of the world today are desperately in need of education and in many cases realise that need but there are still countries where the attainment of even a small amount of education is fraught with great difficulty. And yet the quality of every service in the community depends upon the standard of education provided."

"But should education provide for the community? In the first place the education that is to give the complete preparation for the life of tomorrow should, in any stable society, be a first commitment on the funds of that society. In many countries, education is free and absorbs between 10 and 15 per cent of the total expenditure."

"In Hong Kong for the present year it is just over 6 per cent, but education is not free. The average cost of education per child in England is £13.35, or £210 per annum. In Hong Kong 100,000 children are being educated at a cost to the community of \$7,400,000 or \$74 per child per annum."

"It is perhaps relevant to point out here that in England the contribution towards education amounts to £120,000,000 from the state and a further £100,000,000 from Local Authorities at a total of £220,000,000 or £11.50, or \$3,300,000,000 for 1,000,000 children. From our point of view it would cost over \$35,000,000 per annum to provide a similar education service in Hong Kong."

"The accepted ages for formal education can probably stand but there are, at each end of the scale, stages in which education in a wider sense can be used with profit and enjoyment—a type of education which prepares the way to getting the best out of life, socially, mentally and physically. Physically, of course, means an efficient Schools Medical Service."

"We have started in Hong Kong, but we still have a long way to go. The health of any community depends upon many factors—healthy homes, good working conditions, clean streets, uncontaminated food, water supply and opportunities for recreation and exercise. Yet the provision of these essential social services is useless unless the population has been educated in their necessity and in the individual's own responsibility in maintaining them."

"It is in matters of this kind that differing educational needs become obvious. And I must stress the educational need in this Colony of a sense of civic responsibility."

Lax Habits

"The dangers of lax habits of hygiene and the methods of preventing the onset and spreading of common tropical diseases are far more important for children than a knowledge of the joint and muscles of the body and the chemical changes of haemoglobin in the blood."

"Together with health education comes the School Medical Service. In England, an army of doctors, dentists and nurses is now engaged in the task of maintaining and improving the health of the school population. Every child in school in England is thoroughly medically examined three times during his school career and frequent examinations are carried out by the nurses."

"When it is considered that 9,000,000 children are involved, the magnitude of the task can be imagined. Free medical treatment is given for minor ailments and defects such as dental and eye defects, adenoids, etc., and in many cases X-Ray, X-Ray Therapy and orthopaedic treatment. It is, however, acknowledged that much remains to be done and that what is done must be done continuously."

"The suspension of the service during the summer holidays results in a marked falling-off in habits of cleanliness."

"So there it is. Education and the Community have a duty to each other."

The Challenge

"In conclusion, I should like you to relate the present position with the challenge, or even better, the declaration of war, which present and future conditions are forcing upon education. Do not let your minds evade, ignore or sidestep what is before us; rather prepare to meet it in an attitude of constructive determination that education combining the often ignored religious principles, basically similar in all creeds, with a practical, sane, non-political attitude towards present problems, is the only certain ground of approach to a sane and ordered world."

"A balanced education, which does not allow science to outrun humanity; a true education which inculcates a fair and rational judgment; a critical education which will spike the guns of political lies and propaganda; a self-reliant education which will stop dictatorship and aggression; a liberal (to use an old term) education leading to a world-wide understanding; an education for cooperation and peace rather than for national patriotism and the glorification of insular prejudices and an education designed to meet the future needs of young people and not the imagined needs of us—last generation. These are aims for which we must all work, and foremost among the workers, the Teacher."

The President, Dr. F. I. Tseung extended a warm welcome back to Mr. McDouall, on his return from the South-East Asia Social Welfare Conference in Singapore. Rotarian McDouall is Hong

FOOD'S THE ANSWER

St. Paul, Minnesota, Sept. 1. General Dwight D. Eisenhower said today that food was the key to world peace and said it was up to the United States to produce it.

There was "no use talking about ideals and principles to a man who sees his children starving," United Press.

Kong's new Social Welfare Officer-Designate.

There were no visiting Rotarians yesterday but guests welcomed included Dr. R.D. Scriven, H. Owen Hughes, N. Most, C.F. Wood, K.L. Yui, T.C. Leong, K.C. Wong, J. Ring, Yau Fung-hon and George Hon Choy.

Black Market In Ship Tickets

Since the suspension of the Kowloon-Canton railway service, river steamship companies have been doing a roaring trade, with reservations fully booked up days before the ships leave.

One result of the abnormal demand is a black market in which tickets sell from 100 to 300 per cent above the usual rates.

European first class tickets are being sold at \$60, to \$70 each. The normal rate is from \$25 to \$30. Deck passages are \$40 per ticket as against the usual rate of not more than \$10.

BLANKET CHARGE

Searching the s.s. "Kwai Wah" at 6.30 p.m. Saturday before she embarked for Canton, Revenue Officer Humphreys discovered unmanifested cargo of 150 blankets, valued at over \$1,500.

Sung Lim, who claimed 53 of the blankets, was fined \$300 by Mr. Conklin at Central Court yesterday.

Confiscation of the remaining blankets will be applied for at a later date.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and 6.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.15 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m. H.K.T.

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra.

12.47 p.m.—Turner Layton (Vocal at the Piano) and Adelaide Hall.
1.00 p.m.—New Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Music and Songs of different Nations.
1.30 p.m.—I.B.C. Transcription Service: London Radio Orchestra.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Studio: Children's Half-Hour.
6.30 p.m.—Favourite Memories of the Films.

6.45 p.m.—Tanzos, Rumbas and Bambas.
7.00 p.m.—"Music Time". Gems from "The Arcadians".
7.30 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra. Mark Hambourg (Piano Solo).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.
8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.
8.15 p.m.—Studio: Classical Request Programme. Presented by Marion Glover.

9.15 p.m.—I.B.C. Transcription Service: "The Blue Train".
10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.11 p.m.—Alfredo Campoli (Violin) and His Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—"Dance of the Not-So-Long-Ago (for Dancers)."
10.55 p.m.—Studio: Epilogue.
11.05 p.m.—Close Down.

Airway Traffic Disrupted

Yesterday's weather disrupted air traffic and threw the schedules of airways companies out of gear.

All aircraft which approached Hong Kong to land yesterday were signalled to return to the bases from which they took off or to make an emergency landing at Canton.

Four aircraft heading for Hong Kong went to Canton and one—an Air France passenger plane—returned to Saigon. Planes scheduled to leave Kai Tak airport yesterday afternoon were grounded.

Star Theatre To Re-Open

A welcome restoration of one of the Colony's best-known amusement centres will be completed on Friday when the Star Theatre will re-open.

In pre-war days the Star was both theatre and cinema, but following the re-occupation of the Colony the building was requisitioned by the military and turned into a popular theatre for the Forces presenting stage shows by ENSA and CSE.

Now back in civilian hands, extensive renovation of premises and equipment has been carried out to provide patrons with high fidelity sound and every comfort.

For the next few months, there will be a daily change of Old Favourites, the best shows of the past two years, so that the Star might well be called the Little Theatre that shows Big Pictures.

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EUROPEAN RECOVERY

The Anglo-American-French meeting in London seeking French approval of the scheme for setting a higher level of industry for Germany went to the core of the European recovery problem, and it was both disappointing that French objections were not overcome and that Russia both before and after felt it appropriate to condemn the whole proceedings.

Russia was, perhaps, accurate in describing the meeting as a technical violation of the Potsdam agreement. But it happens that the Potsdam agreement has been laid on the same shelf with Locarno and a score of other well-intended instruments of international accord. And only a little reflection will establish that Russia put it there, thus rendering inevitable the effort in London to make shift in circumstances in which Potsdam no longer operates.

Potsdam—which Russia signed—provided for a largely self-supporting Germany and set up a four-power commission to devise a level of industry low enough to constitute no menace to world peace in the years to come. The signatories of the agreement clearly recognized that a self-supporting Germany would also have to be a united Germany, because survival would manifestly be impossible without the closest cooperation between the industrial west and the agrarian east. But in the two years since the end of the war Russia has blocked every effort by the Western powers to achieve a unified Germany—so persistently as to leave the unmistakable inference that Russia does not want Germany united, except under a Communist government directed from Moscow. This intransigence has worked in Russia's favour, because while the German farmers, who comprise the majority of population in her zone, have been able to support themselves, Russia has been able to abstract both industrial equipment and manpower from the area to bolster her own economy. But the situation in the west has worked to the detriment of everyone concerned—the Germans themselves, because they are cut off from their traditional food supply; of Britain and the United States, because both countries have had to pour millions of dollars into the area to prevent starvation, and of the rest of Europe, which historically depends upon Western Germany for the implements of livelihood.

Against Russian intransigence there appeared only one defence—joint action to bring Western Germany back to productivity, which is to say, revive her industry. That is what the plan presented in London is designed to undertake. If their plan succeeds: Western Germany will be able to begin realising a profit from its industry and thus commence buying the food and equipment the Allies have thus far been supplying gratis. And the tools it produces can be sold, in large part, to other European nations who need them desperately to restore their own agriculture and industry. Every phase of this recovery will displease Russia, but her postwar procedure regarding Germany could hardly lead her to expect any other result. Besides insisting upon the continued partition of Germany, Russia has refused to account for any of her actions within her own zone; insisting upon a stifling level of industry in the west, she has declined to reveal what level of industry she is maintaining in the east. If Russia is entitled to any surprise at the decision to proceed with the tripartite London meeting over her protest, it is only the surprise that the reaction to her own provocation was so long setting in.

A JOURNEY THROUGH KYUSHU: TREATY NEEDS

By MILES W. VAUGHN

complete sincerity to carry out the programme for democratisation of their country which has been outlined in directives of the Supreme Allied Commander, Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

MacArthur Revered

Everybody agrees the population holds Gen. MacArthur in the deepest esteem. He is revered as an exemplary warrior who has practised Christian chivalry rather than revenge and who has given the plain people of Japan an opportunity to show their ability to govern themselves. The new constitution of Japan, which utterly renounces war and reduces the powers of the Emperor to that of a mere symbol of rule by the people, also is generally approved, but most Japanese believe a formula must be found, which will guarantee Japan against ideological aggression from either the extreme Right or extreme Left.

Many Japanese fear that Russia will try to use the Japanese Communist Party as an instrument to bring the country into the Soviet orbit in the same way

the Communists were used in Poland and the Balkans to sovietize those countries.

Japanese state frankly that they are depending almost entirely upon the United States to preserve their newly gained liberties. They hope the United States can operate through the United Nations but if it cannot they hope the American people will act alone or in cooperation with the British nations and China.

Distrust of Russia

There is a general fear and distrust of Russia. This fear is even more acute than in most other parts of Japan because of Kyushu's exposed position adjacent to Korea and the Asiatic mainland. Their traditional conservatism—the Satsuma clan of Kyushu furnished many of Japan's leading military figures—the Japanese in Kyushu talk frankly about the new status of the Emperor and generally approve of it.

"The old system under which we were taught to revere the Emperor as a God was silly and we knew it," a business leader told me. "We think the new way is much better with the Emperor as the symbol of the state which is ruled by and for the people."—United Press.

Immediate Needs

Kyushu, like the rest of Japan, must export to live. The island cannot begin to produce enough foodstuffs for millions of people but is ready to furnish export products such as lumber, silk, bamboo, porcelain, china ware, pottery, vegetable, wax, textiles and marine products in return for food and raw materials from abroad.

The chief immediate needs of the island are food, clothing, electric power, mining, machinery and medicines. The food supply has been chronologically short since the early years of the war when normal commercial exchanges between Kyushu and the rest of the world were stopped. The electric power situation remains steadily worse because of a coal shortage which restricts the output of power plants, and a water shortage caused by deforestation—which has cut down the normal flow of water for hydroelectric plants and deterioration of machinery.

Medicines have been in short supply for years. Government supplies at controlled prices are entirely inadequate. The quality of many medical products, including penicillin, is poor.

The relations between United States troops and military government teams and the Japanese are excellent. Co-operation from the Japanese leaves almost nothing to be desired. They literally bend over backward to obey orders of the military government teams and appear to be striving with

London's Most Unusual Theatre

A few yards from Piccadilly Circus is a little theatre with the proud boast in all show business: "We Never Closed."

The Windmill Theatre, the only one in London to stay open during the entire Luftwaffe blitz, posted that sign even while the bombs were dropping. Laura Henderson, the snow-haired little lady who owned the house, said:

"Put it up. And I hope those blinking Germans fly low enough to read it."

Along narrow Great Windmill Street where an ingenious architect squeezed the picturesque theatre into a space the size of

By ROBERT MUSEL

a two-family house they were talking about Mrs. Henderson today and recalling the days of the Windmill's wartime glory.

Mrs. Henderson died three years ago at 82. But Joan Jay dabbed her eyes as she mentioned her. And the rest of the Windmill's undrugged chorus line—well-known to most soldiers who visited London—were equally sentimental about Joan, last of the blitz veterans to leave the theatre.

Statuesque Miss Jay was off to get married.

"She's a link with the blitz," said Vivian Van Damme who managed the theatre and inherited it from Mrs. Henderson.

"Kids like her, most of them only 17, went through every show bombs or no bombs and slept in their dressing rooms, night after night because there was no way to get home."

"We're not a pretentious theatre. We have a sort of variety show with very pretty girls and what audacity is permitted here. But we have more to be proud of than any theatre in all the history of the stage."

Jap. Sailor Gets Shock

Oakland, Sept. 2. A Japanese sailor on LST335 recently returned here by a Japanese crew was shot and slightly wounded on Monday by a Marine sentry who said that the man appeared to be trying to leave the ship.

The 12th Naval District said the sailor was Kazuo Hatano. The Japanese crew are not permitted to leave the ships.

Marine Private A. E. Smith said Hatano ignored three commands to halt. Smith then fired, hitting Hatano in the arm, and the Japanese climbed back to the ship.

The Japanese skipper told the authorities the man was going over the side to do some painting but Smith said he saw Hatano carrying no brush or paint.—Associated Press.

PENALTY CLAUSE REMITTED

Bangkok, Sept. 1. Final agreement between Britain and Siam, with the penalty clause cancelled, is announced as a result of negotiations.

The penalty clause required Siam to deliver the balance of the 600,000 tons of rice that Siam failed to deliver by the end of August at free cost. Should this clause be enforced, Siam was required to deliver 320,000 tons free.

By virtue of the abolition of the penalty clause, Siam agrees to export rice at control prices at present fixed at \$81 per ton from the mill.—United Press.

Andrei Gromyko: A Pen Picture

The United Nations Security Council's youngest and best known delegate, Andrei Gromyko, moved into the chairman's chair on Monday.

The 38-year-old Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister is serving for the second time. He held the gavel last September under the plan which revolves the chairmanship monthly among the 11 members.

Gromyko becomes a dual personality in speech and manner when he presides.

Acting the role of chairman, he speaks English and rules in a precise way. At intervals, he rumbles that he now will speak as the delegate of the Soviet Union. Then he launches into Russian and speaks with his usual vigour.

Last year Gromyko had occasion to announce officially one of his own vetoes, voting on an American move to set up a Balkan Commission, the Russian delegate called for a vote, promptly raised his hand in opposition and announced he had killed the motion.

Gromyko seldom uses the word "veto." Until recently, he refused even to mention such a term on the Council floor. He constantly refers to the special voting privilege given the Big Five as the "rule of unanimity."

Those who have watched Gromyko, closely in the last

year believe he has mellowed somewhat—not in his official attitude, but in his personal relations. Last year it would have been useless for a United Nations staff member, reporter or spectator to approach the taciturn Russian with a simple inquiry. The questioner would have gotten a shrug perhaps but no answer.

In recent months Gromyko has stopped to chat with reporters. He has smiled when asked a trick question.

Gromyko is recognised as one of the hardest working delegates. It is common report that he confers every day with each Soviet representative in the various commissions and committees and checks word for word any speeches they have prepared. He sits personally on all the major bodies.

His attitude towards work and rest was summed up this month when weary delegates, meeting long hours every day, were straining to find time for a summer vacation. Asked about vacation plans one Monday morning, Gromyko said, "We've just had one." He meant the Council had not met on Sunday.—Associated Press.

SIGNATURE SOON

Rome, Sept. 1. The Italian Foreign Secretary, Count Carlo Sforza, told the Italian Cabinet today that its instrument of ratification of the peace treaty would be signed soon by President Enrico de Nicola.

It would then be sent to the Italian Ambassadors in Paris who would keep it until instructed to deposit it at the Quai d'Orsay, (the French Foreign Office).—United Press.

CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"That's Mrs. Jones—you've heard of Bill Jones, the 'human fly'?"

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A DISTINGUISHING MARK

One distinguishing mark of the keen, able and imaginative player in his appreciation of a long suit of any kind in a weak hand when it is opposite a generally strong hand. At the same time, lack of that appreciation is one distinguishing mark of the stupid, dull, inept and unimaginative player—or else of one who simply lacks experience concerning such a fundamental factor. Except in rare instances, a pair with general power on one side of the table and nothing but appreciable suit-length opposite it will do better in a contract played by the holder of the weak hand because he alone can have a useful dummy opposite him.

SJ 1093	H 82	D 8	CK Q J 5	SAQ72
H 3	D 10985	32	O 87432	N W E S
				CAQ
				SK 855
				HQ 10705
				D K 7
				C 106

(Dealer: West. North-South)

West North East South

Pass Pass 3NT Pass

Pass Pass

West, by his pass of the 3-No Trumps bid, doomed his partner to defeat in an impossible contract. Poor East, who was R. G. Bell, of St. Petersburg, Fla., struggled manfully after South sprung the heart 6, but of course could find no way to take more than seven tricks—three in hearts, two in diamonds, one in clubs and one in spades. He tried to build a throw-in play to avoid going down two, but couldn't do it, as the defenders gave him no help by any kind of mistake.

Reports Mr. Bell: "I've found so many players who get panicky when they hold a hand without any high card value. If they would only stop a moment to analyze their partner's big bid and co-relate their hand to it, they could convert worthless hands that their so-called worthless hand had seemed to be trickless, but has turned into a game hand after all."

West had every reason for bidding 4-Diamonds over the 3-No Trumps. If East didn't fit, that well enough and, chase to bid 4-No Trumps. West could and should have bid 5-Clubs, giving the choice of suits between the minnow. Even if East's 3-No Trumps had been one of those made up of a solid long suit plus side stoppers, that would have been the best bidding by West as he obviously East would not be likely to open with such a bid if his solid suit were a major. If the solid suit were a 4-Diamond bid would have brought 6-Diamonds from East, which would be unbeatable.

Of course, many good players would open East's hand with 2-Spades, prepared to bid hearts the next time—but that is another story.

Tomorrow's Problem

SKQ85
H 84
D 4
C J 9 8 7 3 2

SJ H 107
H 107
D 10987
C K Q J

S None
H A K 9 7 6 5 3
D 5 3 2
C A Q 6

(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

What bidding would you honestly expect to do on East's hand in a social rubber game?

RATIFICATION OF TREATIES

Paris, Sept. 1.

The French Foreign Office to-night announced that the Soviet Government had requested that letters of ratification of the Italian peace treaty should be deposited in Paris within the next 10 or 15 days and these with Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary and Rumania were straining to find time for a summer vacation. Asked about vacation plans one Monday morning, Gromyko said, "We've just had one." He meant the Council had not met on Sunday.—Associated Press.

The request was conveyed in a note to the French Embassy in Moscow. At the same time, the British and United States Embassies in Moscow were informed.—United Press.

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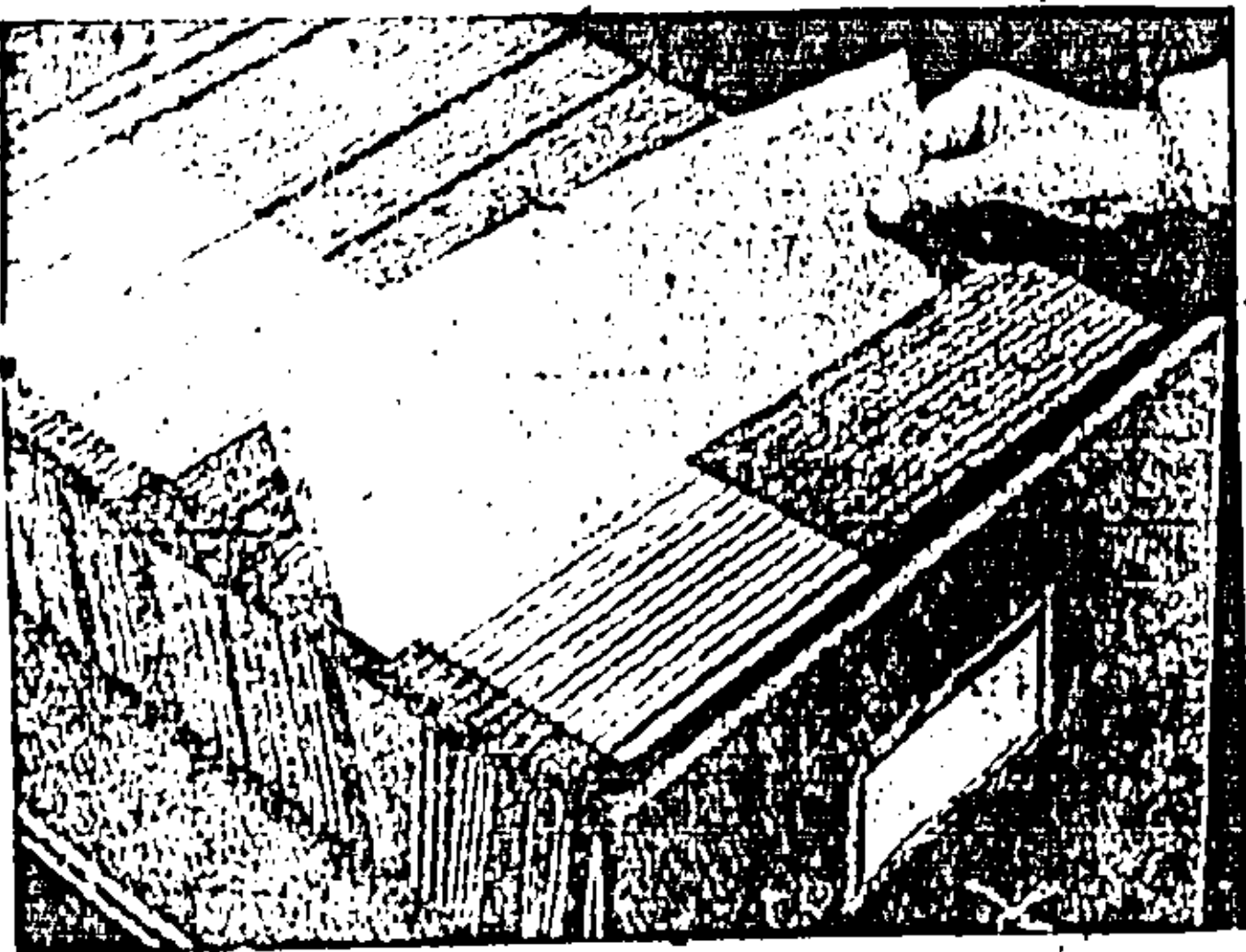
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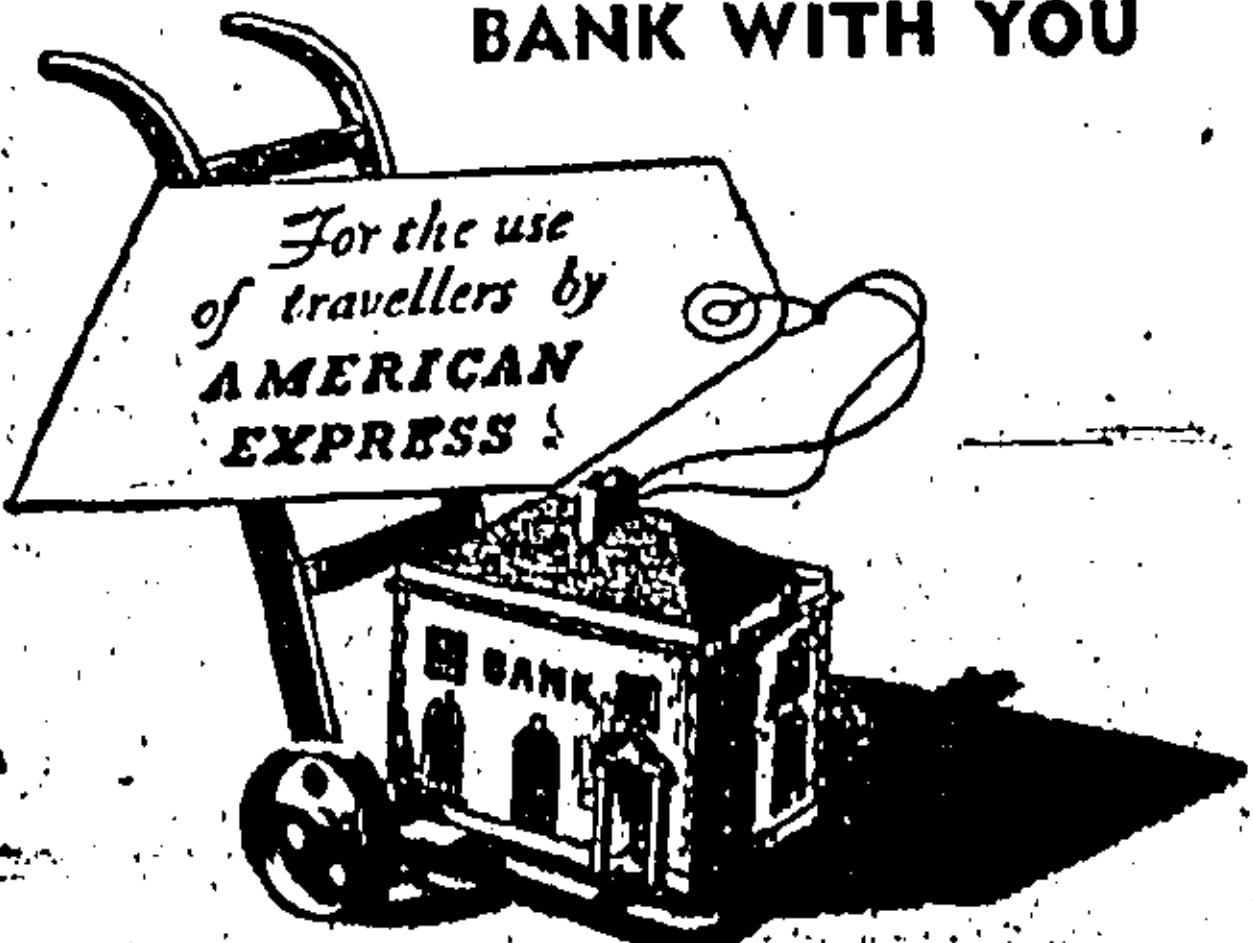
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TEAR-GAS IN CALCUTTA

City Pauses After Violent Communal Flare-Up

Brummagen Man Defies Superstition

Birmingham, Sept. 1. Defying a superstition which is said to have caused the deaths of three people, a prominent but anonymous Birmingham citizen has purchased four shrunken mummified heads of Peruvian tribesmen, brought to this country 25 years ago by a South American planter.

This planter was said to have died a few weeks later of an unknown disease. Before his death, he had given the heads to a Birmingham hotel barman. One night, after the barman's sister had attempted to place a lighted cigarette into one of the open mouths, she was knocked down and killed by a truck.

Thirteen years later, the barman himself died.

But a movie theatre manager who lent the heads throughout the war years thought they were lucky. "When bombs were falling all around, the theatre was not touched," he said.—Reuter.

Gandhi Fears Burst Of Bubble

New Delhi, Sept. 2. In Calcutta, 29 people were killed and 292 injured in communal riots today, the Bengal Government reported.

Troops were called out and the police fired 16 times and used tear gas on three occasions, the Government communique said.

The rioters were reported to have used bombs, firearms and firecrackers.

Ministers of the Bengal Government toured the affected areas, while joint Hindu-Muslim peace meetings were held and the situation tonight was reported to be "quiet".

Mr. Gandhi, who was due to go tomorrow to Noakhali, East Pakistan, the scene of last year's Hindu-Muslim riots, postponed his departure owing to today's outbreak in Calcutta.

"The Calcutta bubble seems to have burst", Mr. Gandhi said tonight as he started a fast to end only when Calcutta "returned to sanity".

A million refugees were reported tonight to be on the move.

Grim Story Of Punjab Terror

Lahore, Sept. 1. Richard Fischer of Miline, Illinois, today told how Moslems made two attacks on his Quetta-Lahore train, dragging out and hammering to death 13 Sikh refugees.

Fischer, representative of the slightest attention to him—United Press.

John Deers and Company, said he took two days to complete the harrowing trip, during which the train stopped repeatedly.

"We made a false start; got a few miles outside Quetta, when the engineer had to back up as the rails were torn up. When we finally started, Moslems stopped the train about five miles outside the town, looking for Sikhs. They killed six in the first attack, dragging them out of compartment windows, then hammering them to death with clubs."

Fischer said the train had only progressed a few miles farther when a second attack was made by a band of several hundred Moslems.

"These refugees who managed to hide from the first attackers were literally pulled to pieces by the mob, which dragged four-paralyzed Sikhs out from under seats and other hiding places, then proceeded to beat them to death."

"One man was knocked down five times and his head was beaten to a bloody pulp before he died. Another tried to run, but got only 100 yards before a gang gleefully tripped him and beat him to death while he cringed on the ground."

Fischer said none of the attackers attempted to enter his compartment nor did they pay

Escorts Now

Strong military or police escorts are to be placed on all trains running through the Punjab from now on.

India announced a streamlining of military controls to achieve "speed and intimacy" in its operations. Reserves are being held ready in case of need in the East Punjab area and India is working in close cooperation with Pakistan in attempting to restore order and evacuate Moslem refugees from East Punjab and Hindu Sikh refugees from West Punjab.—Associated Press.

Britain's Opportunity

Dundee, Sept. 2.

The United Kingdom could become a "Switzerland on a big scale," John Strachey, Minister of Food, said on Monday at the ceremonial opening of the "Dundee-made" Exhibition.

"If the United Kingdom is to enjoy a high standard of life, it must depend increasingly on its highly specialised finishing industries," he said. Industrial areas of Scotland, he asserted, can maintain their living standards by emphasising the production of specialised products for world markets.—Associated Press.

TURKEY ACCEPTS

Ankara, Sept. 1.

The Turkish National Assembly today approved unanimously the law ratifying the Turkish-American agreement on the United States aid for Turkey.

This aid will mostly be in the form of arms and armaments and technical equipment for the Turkish Army, Navy and Air Force.—Reuter.

NEXT CHANGE

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THEATRE

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MASON

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Pakistan's 'Operation Speed-Up'

London, Sept. 1.

Instructions from the Pakistan Government cancelling their order to the British Overseas Airways Corporation for some 20 aircraft to fly 7,000 marooned Government officials and their families from Delhi to their work and homes in Karachi, Pakistan's capital, are to be countermanded.

The BOAC headquarters announced here tonight that the Pakistan Government, after a special Cabinet meeting, had decided to rescind the cancellation. The aircraft were hurriedly chartered at the weekend and some were actually on their way from London and Prestwick, Scotland, when the first "Stop" order came.

Some aircraft had already arrived at Karachi. More than 20 aircraft are to take part in the shuttle service.

The officials to be evacuated from Delhi are urgently needed in Karachi to enable the new Pakistan Dominion Government to function smoothly. They had planned to travel by train, but the riots in the Punjab have disrupted rail communication.—Reuter.

Chifley Govt. Under Fire

Melbourne, Sept. 1.

The Australian Federal Parliamentary Liberals passed a resolution today criticising the Government's proposed nationalisation of the banks, as "a long step towards the creation of a totalitarian state, unauthorised by the people and therefore a fraud upon the electorate."

The Liberals—formerly the United Australia Party—were unanimously collected at their leader Mr. Robert Menzies, leader of the Opposition and former Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Sterling Area Conference

London, Sept. 2.

A government spokesman said on Monday night that Britain intends to urge other nations in the British sterling area to cut their imports from the United States to bare essentials.

The plan will be made at an informal conference of sterling area countries.

The talks, he added, will be held among the sterling government representatives who will be in London for a meeting of the International Bank and Monetary Fund, opening on September 11.

Sterling area countries are those whose own currencies, by agreement, are interchangeable, and who, to some extent, pool their other financial resources. A curtailment of dollar spending throughout the area thus would save dollars for later use by all sterling nations, including Britain.

Countries in the area include Eire, Iraq, Iceland, and British Dominions, colonies and possessions exclusive of Canada and Newfoundland.—Associated Press.

High Level London Talks

Washington, Sept. 1.

The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John W. Snyder, will meet Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, and the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps, during his visit to London for the Governors' meeting of the World Bank and Fund, it was learned here today.

Mr. Snyder leaves in the Queen Elizabeth for Britain tomorrow. He conferred privately yesterday with Lord Inverchapel, the British Ambassador to the United States, and tentatively arranged a whole series of meetings in London.

Apart from Cabinet Ministers, Mr. Snyder will also talk with important private bankers and economic experts.—Reuter.

Nanking, Sept. 1. The Foreign Office announced that the Chinese Government has notified the U.S. Government its acceptance of an invitation to a Big Four conference on Korea.—United Press.

Soviets Turn Down Dairen Protest

Washington, Sept. 1.

Usually well-informed sources reported today that Soviet Russia has rejected the latest United States protest over Soviet failure to reopen the Manchurian port of Dairen to international commerce.

While not disclosing exactly what form the Soviet rejection took, officials said that Russia still contended that she was not obliged to turn Dairen over to Chinese civil control and open the port to world commerce until the Japanese treaty was signed.

The United States' latest protest over Dairen was dispatched to the Moscow Foreign Office on August 14. It followed an earlier protest sent last January 6.

In the August 14 note, the United States said it "perceived no reason why there should be further delay in opening Dairen to international commerce as a free port" as provided for in the Sino-Soviet treaty of August 1945. The treaty provides that only in wartime should the Soviet have any military control over Dairen.

The United States contends the war has been over two years. The Soviet claims the war is not over until the Japanese treaty is signed.

But United States officials admit that the terms of the Sino-Soviet agreement are not entirely clear.

Although the agreement requires Dairen to be returned to Chinese civil control when the war ends, it at the same time requires the Chinese to recognize the "paramountcy" of Soviet interests in that port and that the harbour-master be Russian.

Official sources also admit it is primarily a matter between the Chinese and the Russians, but the United States must maintain its interest in view of American and world interest in seeing Dairen reopened to trade.

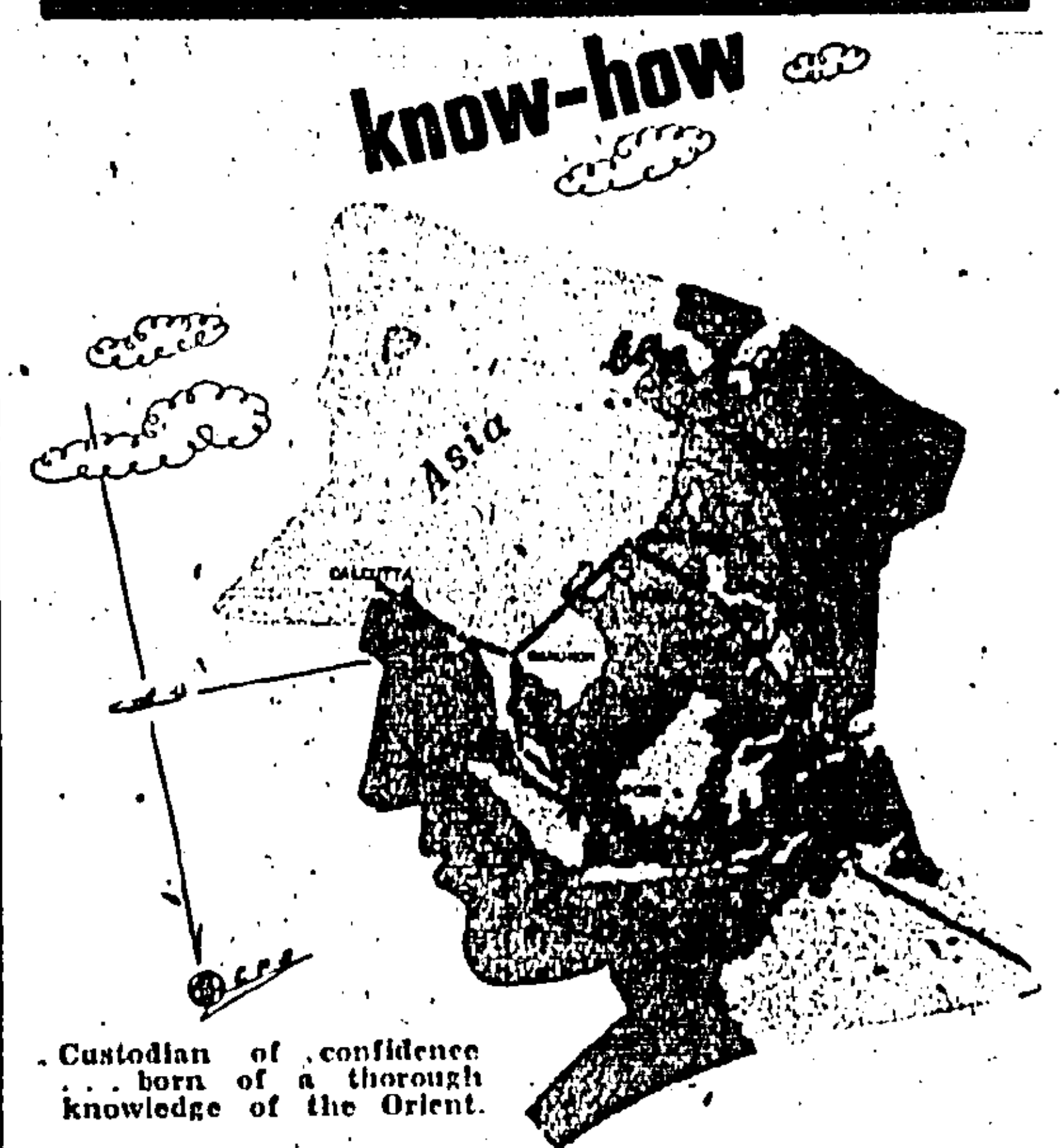
The Russian position is now being studied, and no decision on the next United States step has been taken.—United Press.

"THE BOYS ARE ALL AWAY"

Lincoln, Nebraska, Sept. 1.

General Jacob Dvorsky, Chief of Army Ground Forces, said on Sunday that there are only two divisions and a regimental combat team of regular army troops in the United States.

"The bulk of our regular army," he said, "is on occupation duty overseas, guarding our lines of communications and garrisoning our territories."—United Press.



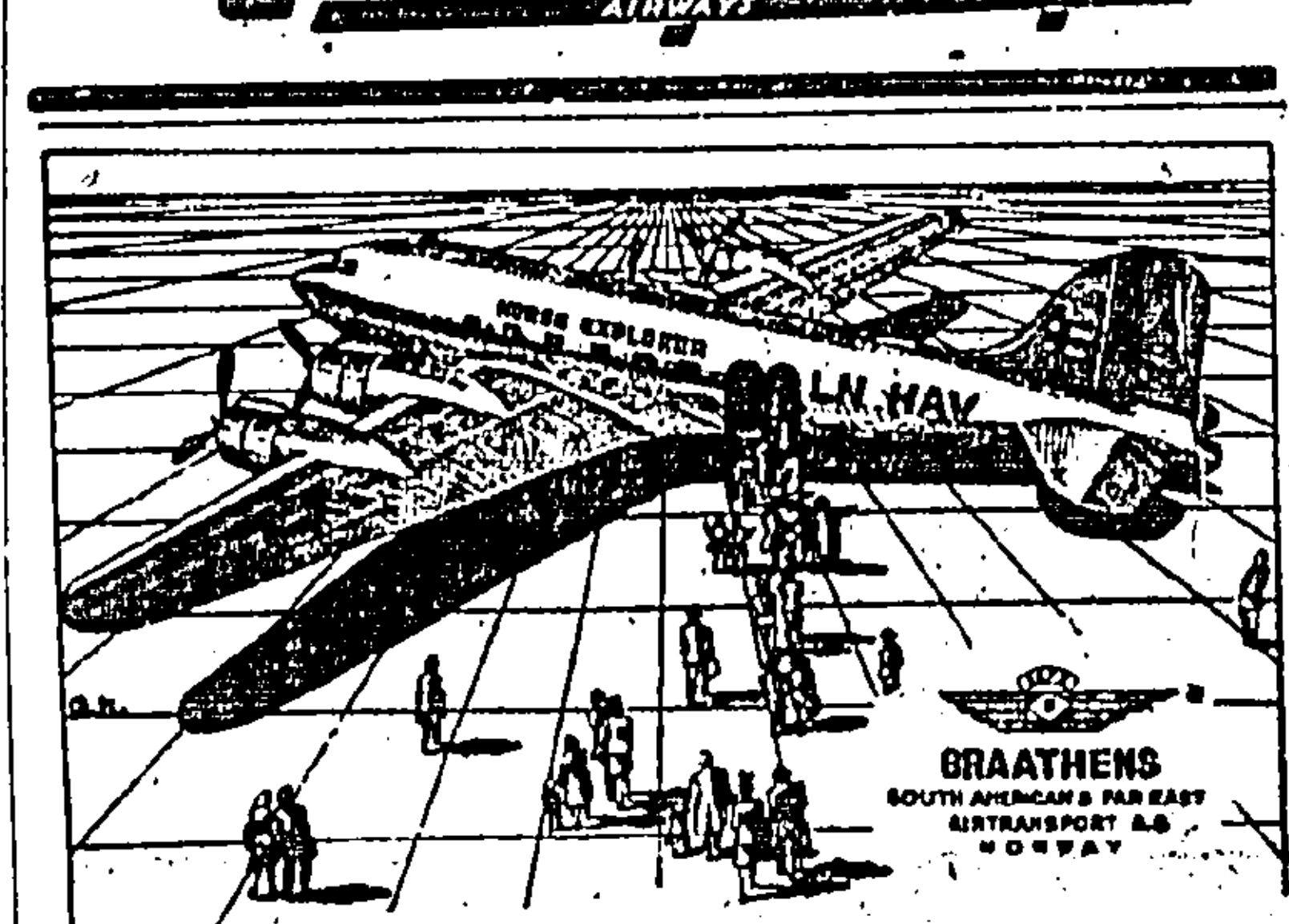
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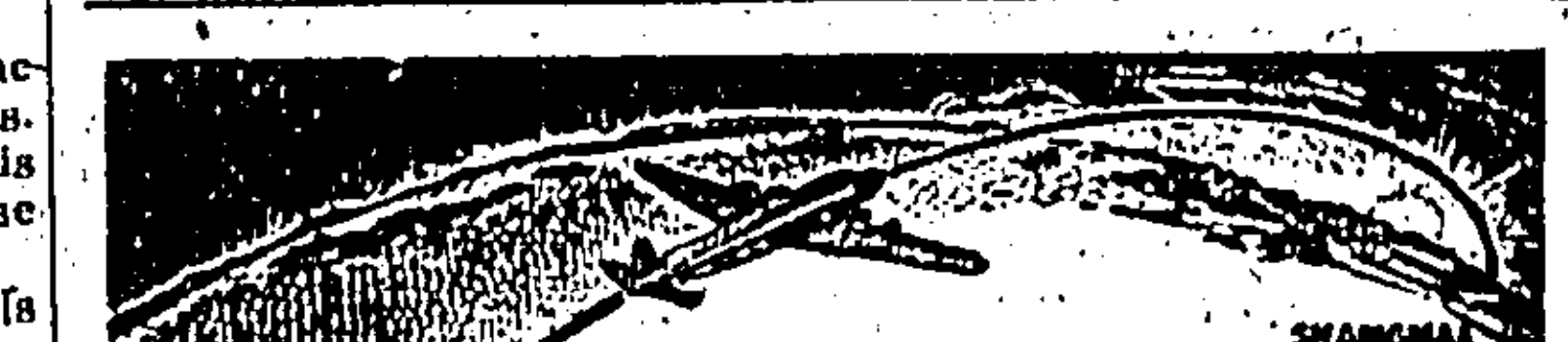
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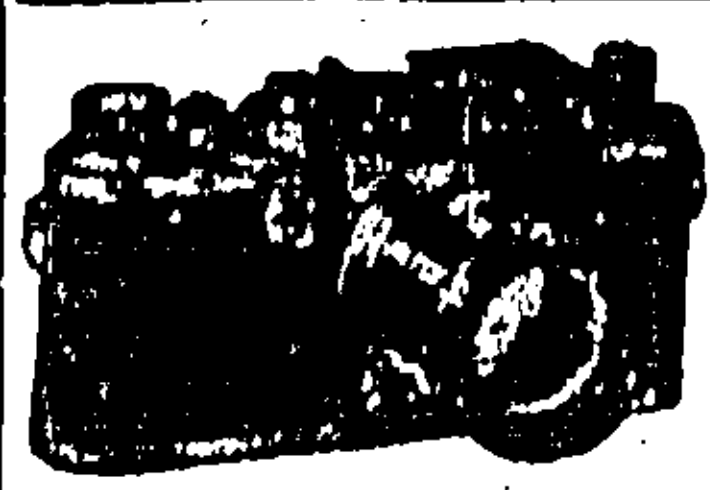
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Red Sox Cut Yank League Lead

New York, Sept. 2.
In the American League yesterday Boston clipped two games from the lead of New York Yankees.

The Red Sox made it six victories in a row by defeating the Yankees 6-3 in the opener.

The Red Sox scored three runs in both the fifth and sixth innings, the latter on one hit and five walks.

The Red Sox easily won the night cap 4-1, cutting the Yank lead to 10½ games.

Cleveland downed St. Louis in both games of a double bill. In the opener, veteran hurler Bob Feller scored his 17th victory of the season holding the Browns to five hits. Cleveland won the opener 4-1.

Indian hurler Bob Lemon kept the Brown hits scattered in the nightcap as the Indians defeated the Browns 4-2.

Detroit swept two games with Chicago, winning the first 13-5 and taking the second 7-2. The Tigers scored two runs in the last half of the ninth to come from behind and beat Chicago in the opener. Eddie Mayo hit a home run and two doubles for the Tigers while his teammate Vic Werthe hit a home run and a triple.

Washington beat Philadelphia twice, easing the Athletics out of the first division. The Senators blanked Philadelphia 4-0 in the opener. The Athletics failed to get a man as far as third base.

Senator hurler Scott Carey settled down after yielding.

Chicago and Cincinnati divided a doubleheader. Bob Chipman's four hit pitching led the Cubs to a shutout decision over Cincinnati in the opener.

The Cubs scored unearned runs in the seventh on a double, a sacrifice and an error, taking the game 1-0.

The Reds took the nightcap 13-2 after scoring 10 runs in the first inning.

St. Louis upset the Pirates twice. Del Wilber's triple with two on base in the last of the 10th inning gave St. Louis a 6-5 victory in the opener over the Pirates. Pirate Ralph Kiner hit his 40th homer of the season.

In the nightcap, the Cardinals got 13 hits to win the game 8-2.

Results
American League
R. H. E.

New York (1st game) 3 7 0
Boston 6 3 0
Winning pitcher Dinny Galehouse.

New York (2nd game) 1 10 0
Boston 4 10 1
Winning pitcher E. J. Jolson.

St. Louis (1st game) 1 5 1
Cleveland 2 4 1
Winning pitcher Bob Feller.

St. Louis (2nd game) 2 6 1
Cleveland 4 6 5
Winning pitcher Bob Lemon.

Chicago (1st game) 5 10 0
Detroit 6 13 1
Winning pitcher Gorsch.

Chicago (2nd game) 2 8 3
Detroit 7 11 0
Winning pitcher Trout.

Washington (1st game) 4 8 0
Philadelphia 0 7 0
Winning pitcher Mickey Haefner.

Washington (2nd game) 7 17 1
Philadelphia 4 8 4
Winning pitcher Scott Carey.

National League
Philadelphia (1st game) 0 5 2
Brooklyn 5 10 0
Winning pitcher Joe Hutton.

Philadelphia (2nd game) 5 8 0
Brooklyn 0 5 1
Winning pitcher Oscar Judd.

Boston (1st game) 1 4 1
New York 2 5 0
Winning pitcher Larry Jansen.

Boston (2nd game) 2 11 2
New York 12 13 0
Winning pitcher Ray Poat.

Chicago (1st game) 1 6 0
Cincinnati 0 4 1
Winning pitcher Bob Chipman.

Chicago (2nd game) 2 10 1
Cincinnati 13 14 0
Winning pitcher Johnny Vandermeer.

Pittsburgh (1st game) 5 9 1
St. Louis 6 10 0
Winning pitcher Dickson.

Pittsburgh (2nd game) 5 2 1
St. Louis 8 13 1
Winning pitcher Dickson.

NOT STYMIED
New York, Sept. 1.
Stymie won the Aqueduct Handicap today, carrying 132 pounds, which was his heaviest burden of the year.

The purse of U.S.\$20,050 raised Stymie's lifetime earnings to U.S.\$742,210.—United Press.

Los Angeles, Sept. 1.
Lito Guard Leonard Olguin, 21, today unofficially broke the world's record for underwater swimming by travelling 203 feet—20 feet more than the mark set in Australia in 1930.—United Press.

Call-Over
On St. Leger

The St. Leger collier at Victoria Club tonight was 9 to 4 Mizell offered, 5 to 2 taken; 7 to 3 Pearl Diver taken and offered, 8 to 1 Arbur offered 13 to 2 taken; 15 to 2 Sayajiro taken and offered; 25 to 1 Merry Quip offered; 28 to 1 Tiltstreet offered 33 to 1 taken; 50 to 1 Bow and Arrow offered and 60 to 1 on others were offered.

The best backed horse was the French colt Arbur, who was reported to win \$5,000 at 13 to 2 and he closed third favourite at 6 to 1. At the last callover 15 to 2 was offered against him.

Business was only of a light character and Mizell was the favourite again and closed at 9 to 4 after 5 to 2 had been taken and wanted.

Sayajiro, who was the third favourite at the last callover, was backed to win \$3,000 at 15 to 2, a half-price more than last week. Tiltstreet was backed to win \$4,000 at 33 to 1 and hardened to 28 to 1.—Reuter.

YACHTSMEN UNDAUNTED BY TYPHOON
The typhoon warning last Friday nearly spoiled the holiday weekend's sailing, but not quite. Only the "Stars" were out of action and big flags turned out for the dinghy races.

An open sweepstake race for dinghies was held on Saturday and Sunday afternoons and details of these races follow. The Navy Club team race scheduled for Sunday morning was held but was subsequently cancelled owing to a mistake in setting the course. This race will be re-called next Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m.

There will be races in the "Star" Helmsman's Series next Saturday and Sunday afternoons, also Sunday morning if sufficient entries.

The following are the results of the two sweepstake races held last weekend:—

Saturday afternoon
1st. Amethyst (Brookes, Mitchell) 1:18.23
2nd. Duke of York II (Childs) 1:19.18
3rd. Manana (Belzwick, Coots) 1:19.20
4th. Duke of York I (Hones) 1:20.45
5th. Honesty 1:20.45
6th. Bonaventure II (Hones) 1:23.57
7th. Tyne II (Giffiths) 1:24.03
8th. Tyne II (Farey, Reynolds) 1:24.11
9th. Bonaventure II (Christiansen, Miss Harvey) 1:26.13
10th. Hart (Gray, Wilmetts) 1:26.90
11th. Queen (Burns, Mitchell) 1:26.44
12th. Byrns (Farrow, Miss D.N.F.)
13th. Loebly (Gordon) D.N.F.
14th. Black (Dorn, Wilmetts) D.N.F.
15th. Maxman (Maxwell-Pleydell) 1:16.48
16th. Tyne II (Hones, Farrow) 1:18.20
17th. Duke of York II (Gray) Captain Tamer (Andrews, Pridmore) Disqualified
Donaventure I (Brookes, Hewitt) D.N.F.

Sunday Afternoon
1st. Amethyst (Holloway-Meeks, Gray) 1:18.53
2nd. Duke of York I (Hones) 1:19.18
3rd. Hart (Wetzel) 1:19.10
4th. Commodore II (Childs) 1:19.57
5th. Tyne II (Gordon) 1:19.57
6th. Tyne II (Hones) 1:19.57
7th. Black (Dorn, Wilmetts) 1:19.57
8th. Maxman (Maxwell-Pleydell) 1:16.48
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HUTTON'S BRILLIANT 270 NOT OUT

London, Sept. 1.
A feature of the County cricket championship today was a brilliant 270 not out by Len Hutton. Yorkshire and England opening batsman and holder of the world Test record score. His score today is the highest individual score of the season, beating the 267 by Bill Edrich.

Hutton batted for six hours and included 34 fours in a total which revealed him right at the top of his form and not the shaky Hutton of earlier in the season.

He was one of the three dual centuries of the day for Villjoen, of South Africa, knocked up 201 off the Sussex bowlers and Joe Hardstaff claimed 221 not out for Nottinghamshire in five and a quarter hours, during which he hit 23 boundaries.

Just as Villjoen was supported by his captain in a stand of over 200 so Hutton was supported by England's captain, Norman Yardley, who was a century. He batted nearly three hours, hitting a six and 17 fours, while his stand with Hutton for the fifth wicket put on 273 runs.

Lancashire did not enforce the field on against the new champions, Middlesex, but were dismissed themselves in the second innings fairly cheaply so that Middlesex have all day tomorrow to hit in an effort to win what would be one of their greatest wins of the season—if gained.

At Hove, Sussex declared at their overnight score of 415 for five wickets when their match with the South Africans continued today, but the county had no bowlers who could dismiss the tourists cheaply and at the close of play they were 140 runs ahead with four wickets to fall.

Close Of Play
The close of play scores are: At Hove: Sussex 415 for five declared. South Africa 555 for six (Dyer 54, Viljoen 201, Harris 71, Melville 114 not out).

At Harrogate: The Rest beat Leyland's XI by nine wickets. The Rest 433 (Brookes 109, Keighley 75, Paynter 127, Ashdown five for 73) and 233 for one. Leyland's XI 237 and 228 (Ames 58, Jackson five for 80).

At Bristol: Gloucestershire 324 and 365 (Wilson 72, Cranfield 90). Essex 215 (Peter Smith 50, Cook five for 83, Goddard five for 106), and 24 for two.

At Lords: Lancashire 352 and 153 (Bedford five for 54). Middlesex 134 (Edrich 55, Ikin five for 37) and one run for no wickets.

At Taunton: Surrey 473 (Alec Bedser 126). Somerset 167 (Watts 71). Gower five for 38. Alec Bedser four for 27 and 151 for five (Walford 55).

At Bournemouth: Hampshire 308 and 55 for one. Yorkshire 464 for five declared (Hutton 270 Yardley 136).

At Nottingham: Warwickshire 302 and 161 for five (Thompson 79). Nottinghamshire 302 for six declared (Hardstaff 221 not out, Giles 61).—Reuter.

Football Results
The results of football games played today are:

FIRST DIVISION:
Aston Villa 2 Sunderland 0
Blackpool 4 Huddersfield 0

SECOND DIVISION:
Bolton 1 Preston 0
Millwall 1 West Ham 1
Sheffield W. 1 Southampton 2

THIRD DIVISION, SOUTHERN:
Tottenham 2 Bury 2
Port Vale 2 Norwich City 0

THIRD DIVISION, NORTHERN:
Darlington 1 Gateshead 1
Hullfax Town 4 Stockport 0
Mansfield 3 Crewe 0

RUGBY LEAGUE:
Rotherham U.4 Oldham 1
Bellevue Rangers 22
Bramley 13.—Reuter.

MORE PONIES
Seventy-nine racing ponies from Australia are due in the Colony on board the s.s. "Nolore" which is expected here before the middle of the month. They are for the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Look Out, Stalin!

Havana, Sept. 2.
A self-proclaimed "Russian Government in Exile" has been formed here, with the announced aim of ousting "those usurpers in Moscow" and establishing in Russia a "democratic, nationalistic government of the American type."

About 150 White Russian emigrants living in Cuba today saw Andrei P. Golovchenko, former captain in the Imperial Russian Navy, installed as provisional president of an ambitious new regime.

Golovchenko said a movement to form a "legal Russian government" was under way before the war but that the conflict delayed its work.

"Now we are going to intensify it and soon the usurpers in Moscow will be hearing of us.... Our activities will be like the atomic bomb for them!" he said.

Golovchenko said he had the support of White Russian groups in other parts of the world.—United Press.

Lai Tsun Swimmers On Tour

(By Natator)
The ever-popular Chinese "Lai Tsun" Swimming Union will sail for Shanghai tomorrow (Thursday) by the "Marine Adder" on a swimming tour sponsored by their supporters.

The original intention was to make a trip to Canton for exhibitions and thence on to Shanghai by air, but owing to difficulties in arranging an air booking suitable to their programme, they have decided to travel by sea.

The trip was planned as an alternative to the Chinese National Meet which is now postponed until early 1948, and the experience should prove beneficial to the swimmers.

The contingent is headed by Mr. Poon Wing Kai as manager, captain, Messrs. S. H. Wong and Millan Wong as coach and secretary. Their public relations officer is Mr. Chung Chi Keung.

Two contests have been arranged for Lai Tsun at Shanghai—first against the Combined Chinese and then against a Combined European side. The match against the Chinese will in all probability be held at the Hongkong Stadium, venue of the 1936 National Meet, while the last meet will be held at the French Club.

Events have not yet been finally agreed on, and will be decided at Shanghai. Lai Tsun have this season won all their inter-club galas, as well as running away with the aggregate championship at the recent "Open to the Colony" Charity Gala held at West Point. They have a well-balanced team of men and ladies and should give the Shanghai swimmers a stiff opposition. Lai Tsun have improved a lot lately and will take care of the sprint events, while veterans Chan Chun Nam and Yau Sai Kwan will cover the middle and longer distances.

Poon Wing Kai and Wong Cheuk Wing will represent their side in the back and breast strokes respectively. It is also understood that there will be events for ladies and that section will be represented by Misses Ko Miu Lin, Mok Sun Lan and Tsang Fung Kwan. Misses Wong Yuen Ching and Wong Yuen Sang who have shown tremendous improvement during the current season have also been selected for the tourists, but owing to unforeseen circumstances are unable to make the trip.

CHISWICK TENNIS
London, Sept. 1.
W. C. Choy (Hong Kong), K. H. Lo (China) and G. H. Mohammed (India) headed a strong challenge to home players for the men's singles at the start of the Chiswick hard courts tournament today.

Both the Indian and Hong Kong players won easily, but Lo lost a hard three-set battle to C. M. Jones (England), who won 7-9, 6-4, 6-4.

Choy beat E. R. Dulmer 6-1, 6-2, while Mohammed lost only one game in beating K. O. Ward 6-0, 6-1.—Reuter.

Missing "Link" May Soon Be Found
Dundee, Sept. 2.
A famous anatomist guardedly implied today that science's generations-old search for the "missing link" may have come to a successful end.

In a paper prepared for delivery today before the British Association, Prof. W. E. Le Gros Clark, of Oxford University, went a long way towards tying the tag on the "Australopithecine" to open men or man apes who lived in South Africa some 250,000 years ago.

Reporting that on August 31, South African scientists, climbing 23 years of research, had finally found the pelvis of this dawn-man he added: "The pelvis is of particular importance because it is regarded as a distinguishingly small-brained 'human being' of exceedingly primitive type."

"The very fact that there are now questions for serious discussion is sufficient to emphasize the importance of the discovery," Prof. Clark said.—United Press.

SELF-RULE PRINCIPLE FOR JAPAN O.K.'d

Canberra, Sept. 1.
Delegates to the British Commonwealth Conference on the Japanese peace treaty today agreed that Japan should be given virtual self-government after the peace settlement, it was officially stated.

The general attitude of the Commonwealth countries represented at the Conference, which held its final secret session today, was that a control commission should be set up to succeed the supreme command of the Allied forces in the Pacific.

This Commission would interfere as little as possible with the Japanese Government, stepping in only when the Japanese showed an inclination to depart from the spirit or the letter of the peace settlement.

"The Conference expressed the desire that all the United Nations which contributed directly to the winning of the Pacific War, including Pakistan, should be represented at the Peace Conference, to be called without delay and beginning on a policy-making Governmental level," the statement said.

The Commonwealth countries deliberately refrained from fixing any hard and fast attitude on the Commission machinery until they had heard the views of the United States, the announcement said.

Suggestions included the maintenance of Allied control by a military body much smaller than the present forces in Japan and the possibility of forces being stationed on islands near Japan in case Japan ignored the provisions of the settlement.

Reparation Of Loot
"It was agreed that Japan should make reparations of all property looted by the Japanese and that any subsequently looted should be restored to its rightful owners," the statement continued.

"It was also accepted that the occupation costs should be a charge on the Japanese Government."

The delegates felt that her war industries which could form part of a war potential should be limited.

To supplement these restrictions, Japanese imports should be controlled. The statement added that the discussion had made it appear "that a close correspondence existed between the Canberra views and the views of the United States, as well as other powers primarily interested in a settlement."

No Fixed Duration
Official circles, commenting on the talks, said that the duration of the supervision over Japan after the settlement had not been fixed.

The general feeling was that this should depend on Japanese behaviour, and willingness to accept sincerely the carrying out of the settlement provisions.

Some of the delegates believed that Japan could be controlled physically by sanctions against imports and without an armed force being present in or near Japan.—Reuter.

PERSISTENT CRIMINAL
Wong Sik-ming, 32, pleaded guilty before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday to the theft of two wooden planks, and, before sentence was passed, asked His Worship to take a lenient view of the case.

Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth spoilt Wong's plans to get off lightly by revealing that accused was a persistent criminal with seven previous convictions, once for possession of military stores, thrice for larceny, once for loitering with intent, and twice for returning from life banishment.

His Worship sentenced him to 15 months' hard labour on the larceny charge, and fixed Sept. 6 for hearing of evidence on the returning from banishment count.

According to S/I Howarth, defendant was seen at 2.45 p.m. on Aug. 20 in Taiwan Road carrying two wooden planks. Stopped and questioned by a Chinese detective, he said he took the planks from a wrecked ship off Taiwan Beach.

At 5.30 p.m. yesterday a Chinese woman, age about 50, went into the harbour from the ferry launch "Man Shui" near the Yau-mai Typhoon shelter. She was rescued by the sailors of the launch and taken to hospital where she was detained, unconscious.

Junk Masters Warned
A warning to all junk masters was issued by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday when five junk people appeared charged with having on board a quantity of kerosene.

The Magistrate advised them that when engaged to convey dangerous goods, especially explosive commodities, they apply to the Harbour Master for special permission.

On such application, the Harbour Master will furnish them with details of the fire fighting appliances required to be on board.

Presenting the case for the prosecution against Tang Lin, 37, Au Yung-chung, 39, Chan Pak, 39, Chan Yuet, 32, and Lau Yuen, 47, Inspector J. Orem, stated that the junks (413S, 119GS, 1242S, T116GH, and T1220H) were stopped by Sub-Inspector G. Pile at Sha U Chung, Mira Bay, at 4.30 p.m. on Aug. 30.

On the junks being searched, defendants produced an export permit, covering 450 tons kerosene, issued to an oil firm. They had no fire fighting appliances, nor a permit to carry dangerous goods.

A fine of \$100 each was imposed by His Worship.

Coal Stolen From Gas Works

Inspector M. Saul of Central Court yesterday suggested that there was a "gang at work" stealing coal from West Point Gas Works.

In a case involving two defendants, Inspector Saul reported that more coal was missing than was recovered from the thieves and that previous thefts had taken place at the Gas Works.

Cheung Ming, who had previously been expelled in July for vagrancy and claimed that he had to steal the coal for passage to return again to his country, received six months' hard labour and re-expulsion.

Mr. Conklin sentenced the second defendant, Tam Tai, to four months' hard labour.

Both were caught stealing four bags of coal at the Gas Works on Monday.

WAR OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

London, Sept. 1.
Lieutenant-General A. Gallows, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Malaya Command, has been appointed High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief, British troops in Austria, the War Office announced tonight.

He succeeds Lieutenant-General Sir James Stoeck, who has been appointed Adjutant-General to the Forces in place of General Sir Richard O'Connor, who resigned.—Reuter.

Chen Cheung, 32, licenced driver, was fined \$200 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday for dangerous driving and failing to report his change of address.

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